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# EDITOR'S LETTER

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When *Athlon Sports* editor in chief Thomas Neumann reached out to ask if I was interested in contributing to this year's fantasy magazine, I jumped at the chance. I won't bore you with the details of all that goes into preparing the meat and potatoes of a fantasy football magazine in late April and early May, but please understand that it's no small task. Following a quick chat with the magazine's brain trust to sort out the scope and timing details, up went the sleeves.

For those of you who may not be familiar with my work, I began as an NFL news analyst for KFFL.com in 2002, working my way into a full-time fantasy contributor role by the next season. I was hired as a fantasy football editor in the spring of 2004. After my many years of poring over stats, pounding on a keyboard, interviewing NFL players and coaches, talking with agents and winning countless fantasy championships, KFFL was purchased by Gannett, the parent company of *USA TODAY*.

I was promoted to general manager of the KFFL brand for a successful but short tenure until the executive team merged KFFL and longtime fantasy site The Huddle into one brand, where I worked alongside internet-era industry pioneer David Dorey for nearly a decade. Following the 2024 season, Dorey decided to call it a career, and the timing felt right for a change of my own, which led me over to *Athlon* last summer. Small-world note: I actually worked under Thomas for a time at Gannett, so I quickly realized that I landed in the right spot.

I can't express how fortunate I am to have made a living for 25 consecutive years talking about this game we all love so deeply. Anyone who is passionate about fantasy knows the heartbreak of losing in the unluckiest ways imaginable just as much as the thrill of an unbelievable victory. While recognition for winning awards and rankings accuracy is fulfilling, it doesn't compete with knowing you helped managers hoist trophies. That makes the missed birthday parties, working through holidays, and countless late nights to meet deadlines worth it.

We share your passion. Athlon's commitment to fantasy players doesn't end with this magazine. We're building a free, comprehensive fantasy football and sports betting hub online with frequently updated rankings, projections, analysis, and much more. Situations change between May editorial deadlines and when many of you will be drafting, so if anything in these pages feels dated by draft day, head to the site for the latest intel — just follow the QR code above.

A huge thank you to everyone who helped make this magazine possible. On behalf of everyone involved, we wish our readers the best fantasy season yet!

**CORY BONINI**
FANTASY SPORTS EDITOR

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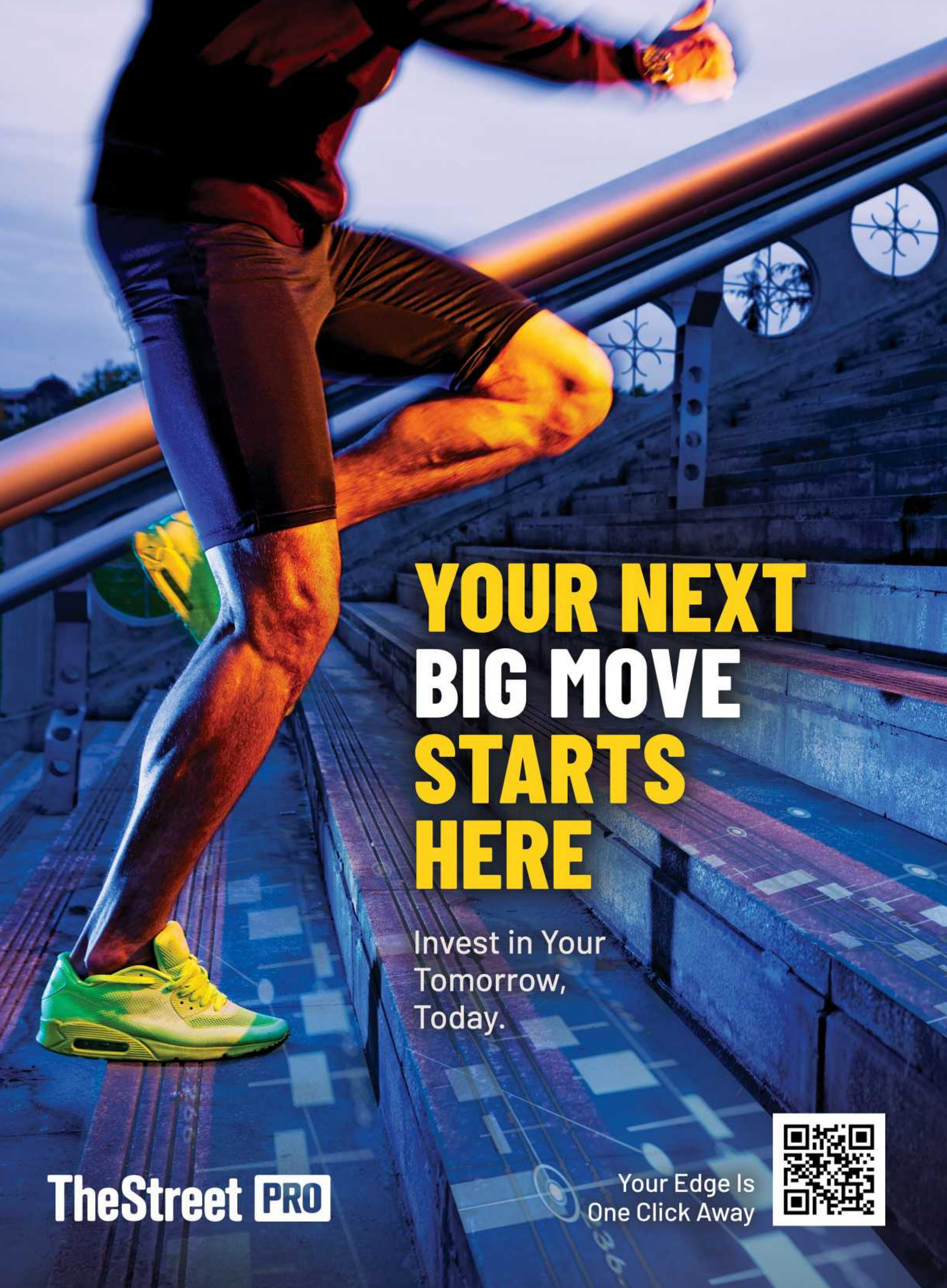
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| ☐ | 2 | Bijan Robinson | RB | ATL |
| ☐ | 3 | Jahmyr Gibbs | RB | DET |
| ☐ | 4 | Jaxon Smith-Njigba | WR | SEA |
| ☐ | 5 | Christian McCaffrey | RB | SF |
| ☐ | 6 | Puka Nacua | WR | LAR |
| ☐ | 7 | Amon-Ra St. Brown | WR | DET |
| ☐ | 8 | Justin Jefferson | WR | MIN |
| ☐ | 9 | Jonathan Taylor | RB | IND |
| ☐ | 10 | Ashton Jeanty | RB | LV |
| ☐ | 11 | James Cook III | RB | BUF |
| ☐ | 12 | De'Von Achane | RB | MIA |
| ☐ | 13 | CeeDee Lamb | WR | DAL |
| ☐ | 14 | Emeka Egbuka | WR | TB |
| ☐ | 15 | Tetairoa McMillan | WR | CAR |
| ☐ | 16 | Breece Hall | RB | NYJ |
| ☐ | 17 | Javonte Williams | RB | DAL |
| ☐ | 18 | Saquon Barkley | RB | PHI |
| ☐ | 19 | Josh Jacobs | RB | GB |
| ☐ | 20 | Kyren Williams | RB | LAR |
| ☐ | 21 | George Pickens | WR | DAL |
| ☐ | 22 | Drake London | WR | ATL |
| ☐ | 23 | Kenneth Walker III | RB | KC |
| ☐ | 24 | Omarion Hampton | RB | LAC |
| ☐ | 25 | Derrick Henry | RB | BAL |
| ☐ | 26 | Trey McBride | TE | ARI |
| ☐ | 27 | Chris Olave | WR | NO |
| ☐ | 28 | Chase Brown | RB | CIN |
| ☐ | 29 | RJ Harvey | RB | DEN |
| ☐ | 30 | Nico Collins | WR | HOU |
| ☐ | 31 | Josh Allen | QB | BUF |
| ☐ | 32 | Zay Flowers | WR | BAL |
| ☐ | 33 | Terry McLaurin | WR | WAS |
| ☐ | 34 | A.J. Brown | WR | NE |
| ☐ | 35 | Brock Bowers | TE | LV |
| ☐ | 36 | TreVeyon Henderson | RB | NE |
| ☐ | 37 | DeVonta Smith | WR | PHI |
| ☐ | 38 | Tyler Warren | TE | IND |
| ☐ | 39 | Courtland Sutton | WR | DEN |
| ☐ | 40 | D'Andre Swift | RB | CHI |
| ☐ | 41 | Malik Nabers | WR | NYG |
| ☐ | 42 | Colston Loveland | TE | CHI |
| ☐ | 43 | Quinshon Judkins | RB | CLE |
| ☐ | 44 | Luther Burden III | WR | CHI |
| ☐ | 45 | Brian Thomas Jr. | WR | JAC |
| ☐ | 46 | Ladd McConkey | WR | LAC |
| ☐ | 47 | Garrett Wilson | WR | NYJ |
| ☐ | 48 | Travis Etienne Jr. | RB | NO |
| ☐ | 49 | Bucky Irving | RB | TB |
| ☐ | 50 | Jameson Williams | WR | DET |
| ☐ | 51 | Tee Higgins | WR | CIN |
| ☐ | 52 | Harold Fannin Jr. | TE | CLE |
| ☐ | 53 | Davante Adams | WR | LAR |
| ☐ | 54 | Chuba Hubbard | RB | CAR |
| ☐ | 55 | Cam Skattebo | RB | NYG |
| ☐ | 56 | Jeremiyah Love (R) | RB | ARI |
| ☐ | 57 | Dak Prescott | QB | DAL |
| ☐ | 58 | Joe Burrow | QB | CIN |
| ☐ | 59 | DK Metcalf | WR | PIT |
| ☐ | 60 | DJ Moore | WR | BUF |
| ☐ | 61 | Rome Odunze | WR | CHI |
| ☐ | 62 | Mike Evans | WR | SF |
| ☐ | 63 | Caleb Williams | QB | CHI |
| ☐ | 64 | Lamar Jackson | QB | BAL |
| ☐ | 65 | Rico Dowdle | RB | PIT |
| ☐ | 66 | David Montgomery | RB | HOU |
| ☐ | 67 | Tony Pollard | RB | TEN |
| ☐ | 68 | Kyle Monangai | RB | CHI |
| ☐ | 69 | Rashee Rice | WR | KC |
| ☐ | 70 | Bo Nix | QB | DEN |
| ☐ | 71 | Jaylen Waddle | WR | DEN |
| ☐ | 72 | Kyle Pitts Sr. | TE | ATL |
| ☐ | 73 | Alvin Kamara | RB | NO |
| ☐ | 74 | Jaylen Warren | RB | PIT |
| ☐ | 75 | Jadarian Price Jr. (R) | RB | SEA |
| ☐ | 76 | Michael Pittman Jr. | WR | PIT |
| ☐ | 77 | Marvin Harrison Jr. | WR | ARI |
| ☐ | 78 | Drake Maye | QB | NE |
| ☐ | 79 | Alec Pierce | WR | IND |
| ☐ | 80 | Jayden Reed | WR | GB |
| ☐ | 81 | Michael Wilson | WR | ARI |
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| ☐ | 85 | Justin Herbert | QB | LAC |
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| ☐ | 87 | Jakobi Meyers | WR | JAC |
| ☐ | 88 | Rachaad White | RB | WAS |
| ☐ | 89 | Sam LaPorta | TE | DET |
| ☐ | 90 | Jerry Jeudy | WR | CLE |
| ☐ | 91 | Jared Goff | QB | DET |
| ☐ | 92 | Josh Downs | WR | IND |
| ☐ | 93 | Jake Ferguson | TE | DAL |
| ☐ | 94 | Jayden Daniels | QB | WAS |
| ☐ | 95 | Matthew Stafford | QB | LAR |
| ☐ | 96 | Rhamondre Stevenson | RB | NE |
| ☐ | 97 | Woody Marks | RB | HOU |
| ☐ | 98 | Mark Andrews | TE | BAL |
| ☐ | 99 | Christian Watson | WR | GB |
| ☐ | 100 | Aaron Jones Sr. | RB | MIN |
| ☐ | 101 | Tyjae Spears | RB | TEN |
| ☐ | 102 | Bhayshul Tuten | RB | JAC |
| ☐ | 103 | Baker Mayfield | QB | TB |
| ☐ | 104 | Parker Washington | WR | JAC |
| ☐ | 105 | Juwan Johnson | TE | NO |
| ☐ | 106 | George Kittle | TE | SF |
| ☐ | 107 | Jordan Love | QB | GB |
| ☐ | 108 | Kyler Murray | QB | MIN |
| ☐ | 109 | Jaxson Dart | QB | NYG |
| ☐ | 110 | Jordan Addison | WR | MIN |
| ☐ | 111 | Xavier Worthy | WR | KC |
| ☐ | 112 | Quentin Johnston | WR | LAC |
| ☐ | 113 | Romeo Doubs | WR | NE |
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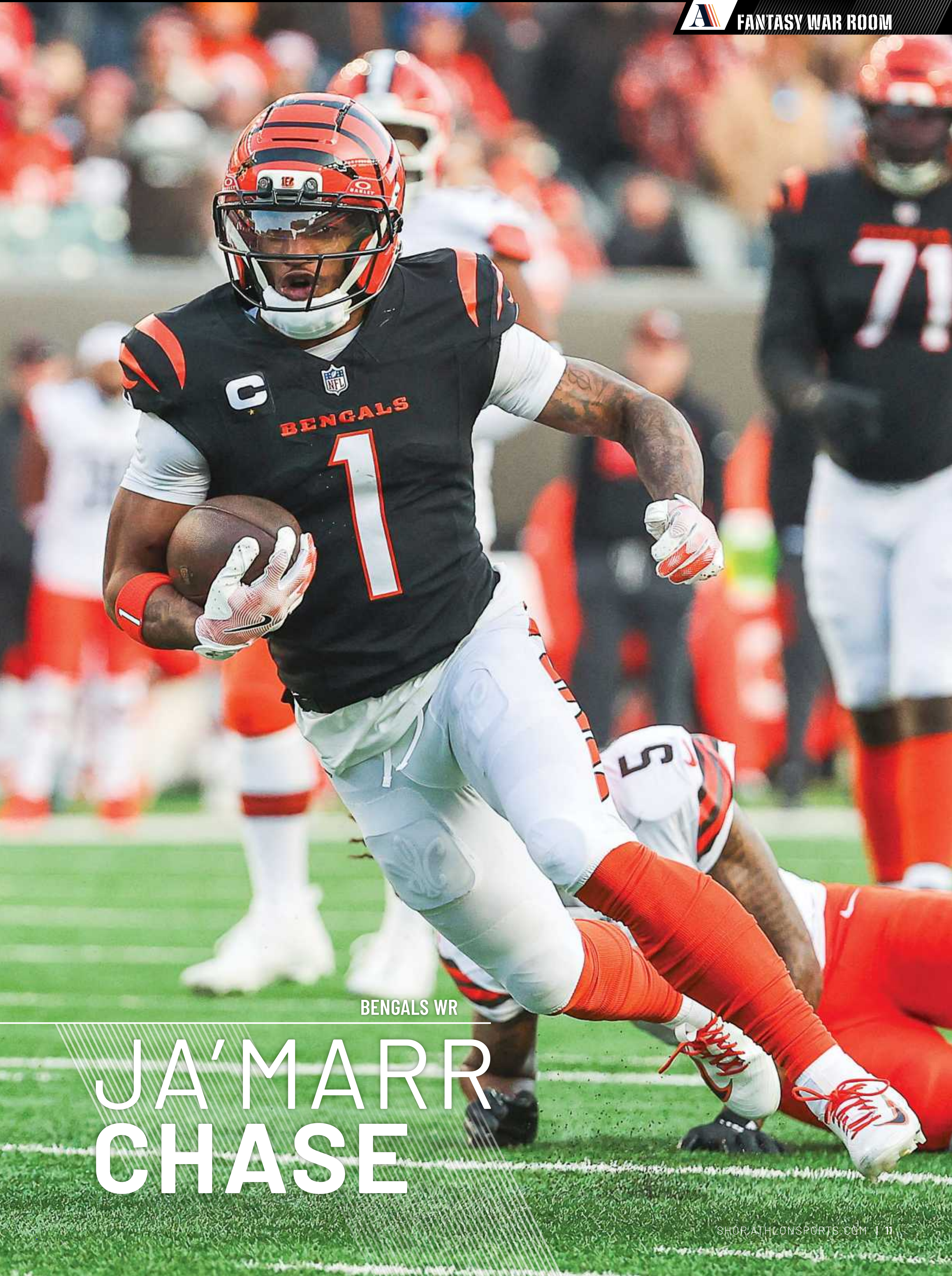

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|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ 115 | Tucker Kraft | TE | GB |
| ☐ 116 | Wan'Dale Robinson | WR | TEN |
| ☐ 117 | Jordyn Tyson (R) | WR | NO |
| ☐ 118 | Sam Darnold | QB | SEA |
| ☐ 119 | Khalil Shakir | WR | BUF |
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| ☐ 123 | Dylan Sampson | RB | CLE |
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| ☐ 125 | J.K. Dobbins | RB | DEN |
| ☐ 126 | Tyrone Tracy Jr. | RB | NYG |
| ☐ 127 | Blake Corum | RB | LAR |
| ☐ 128 | Jayden Higgins | WR | HOU |
| ☐ 129 | Chig Okonkwo | TE | WAS |
| ☐ 130 | Jacory Croskey-Merritt | RB | WAS |
| ☐ 131 | James Conner | RB | ARI |
| ☐ 132 | Jordan Mason | RB | MIN |
| ☐ 133 | Tyler Shough | QB | NO |
| ☐ 134 | Patrick Mahomes | QB | KC |
| ☐ 135 | Hunter Henry | TE | NE |
| ☐ 136 | Los Angeles Rams | DST | LAR |
| ☐ 137 | Denver Broncos | DST | DEN |
| ☐ 138 | Rashid Shaheed | WR | SEA |
| ☐ 139 | Tre' Harris | WR | LAC |
| ☐ 140 | Makai Lemon (R) | WR | PHI |
| ☐ 141 | Carnell Tate (R) | WR | TEN |
| ☐ 142 | Isiah Pacheco | RB | DET |
| ☐ 143 | Pat Freiermuth | TE | PIT |
| ☐ 144 | Dalton Schultz | TE | HOU |
| ☐ 145 | Brenton Strange | TE | JAC |
| ☐ 146 | Isaiah Likely | TE | NYG |
| ☐ 147 | Ricky Pearsall | WR | SF |
| ☐ 148 | Jack Bech | WR | LV |
| ☐ 149 | Antonio Williams (R) | WR | WAS |
| ☐ 150 | Buffalo Bills | DST | BUF |
| ☐ 151 | Houston Texans | DST | HOU |
| ☐ 152 | Troy Franklin | WR | DEN |
| ☐ 153 | KC Concepcion (R) | WR | CLE |
| ☐ 154 | Cade Otton | TE | TB |
| ☐ 155 | Dallas Goedert | TE | PHI |
| ☐ 156 | Kenyon Sadiq (R) | TE | NYJ |
| ☐ 157 | C.J. Stroud | QB | HOU |
| ☐ 158 | Bryce Young | QB | CAR |
| ☐ 159 | AJ Barner | TE | SEA |
| ☐ 160 | Gunnar Helm | TE | TEN |
| ☐ 161 | Germie Bernard (R) | WR | PIT |
| ☐ 162 | Minnesota Vikings | DST | MIN |
| ☐ 163 | Chicago Bears | DST | CHI |
| ☐ 164 | Seattle Seahawks | DST | SEA |
| ☐ 165 | Isaiah Davis | RB | NYJ |
| ☐ 166 | Aaron Rodgers | QB | PIT |
| ☐ 167 | Justice Hill | RB | BAL |
| ☐ 168 | Zach Charbonnet | RB | SEA |
| ☐ 169 | Tyler Allgeier | RB | ARI |
| ☐ 170 | Ka'imi Fairbairn | PK | HOU |
| ☐ 171 | Jason Myers | PK | SEA |
| ☐ 172 | Rashod Bateman | WR | BAL |
| ☐ 173 | Jauan Jennings | WR | MIN |
| ☐ 174 | Pittsburgh Steelers | DST | PIT |
| ☐ 175 | Baltimore Ravens | DST | BAL |
| ☐ 176 | Cooper Kupp | WR | SEA |
| ☐ 177 | Brandon Aubrey | PK | DAL |
| ☐ 178 | Andrei Iosivas | WR | CIN |
| ☐ 179 | Xavier Legette | WR | CAR |
| ☐ 180 | David Njoku | TE | LAC |
| ☐ 181 | Jalen Coker | WR | CAR |
| ☐ 182 | T.J. Hockenson | TE | MIN |
| ☐ 183 | Ja'Tavion Sanders | TE | CAR |
| ☐ 184 | Colby Parkinson | TE | LAR |
| ☐ 185 | Ryan Flournoy | WR | DAL |
| ☐ 186 | Jalen McMillan | WR | TB |
| ☐ 187 | Daniel Jones | QB | IND |
| ☐ 188 | Jake Tonges | TE | SF |
| ☐ 189 | Chris Rodriguez Jr. | RB | JAC |
| ☐ 190 | Devin Singletary | RB | NYG |
| ☐ 191 | Chris Brooks | RB | GB |
| ☐ 192 | LeQuint Allen Jr. | RB | JAC |
| ☐ 193 | Kimani Vidal | RB | LAC |
| ☐ 194 | Cameron Dicker | PK | LAC |
| ☐ 195 | Chase McLaughlin | PK | TB |
| ☐ 196 | Omar Cooper Jr. (R) | WR | NYJ |
| ☐ 197 | Ty Johnson | RB | BUF |
| ☐ 198 | Emanuel Wilson | RB | SEA |
| ☐ 199 | Jaylen Wright | RB | MIA |
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| ☐ 202 | Kayshon Boutte | WR | NE |
| ☐ 203 | Jaydon Blue | RB | DAL |
| ☐ 204 | Demond Claiborne (R) | RB | MIN |
| ☐ 205 | Kaelon Black (R) | RB | SF |
| ☐ 206 | Cam Ward | QB | TEN |
| ☐ 207 | Brian Robinson Jr. | RB | ATL |
| ☐ 208 | Adam Randall (R) | RB | BAL |
| ☐ 209 | Caleb Douglas (R) | WR | MIA |
| ☐ 210 | Mike Gesicki | TE | CIN |
| ☐ 211 | Isaac TeSlaa | WR | DET |
| ☐ 212 | Ray Davis | RB | BUF |
| ☐ 213 | Kaytron Allen (R) | RB | WAS |
| ☐ 214 | Jonathon Brooks | RB | CAR |
| ☐ 215 | Will Reichard | PK | MIN |
| ☐ 216 | Jake Bates | PK | DET |
| ☐ 217 | Keon Coleman | WR | BUF |
| ☐ 218 | Adonai Mitchell | WR | NYJ |
| ☐ 219 | Malik Washington | WR | MIA |
| ☐ 220 | Brashard Smith | RB | KC |
| ☐ 221 | Sean Tucker | RB | TB |
| ☐ 222 | Mike Washington Jr. (R) | RB | LV |
| ☐ 223 | Trevor Etienne | RB | CAR |
| ☐ 224 | Luke McCaffrey | WR | WAS |
| ☐ 225 | Jerome Ford | RB | WAS |
| ☐ 226 | DJ Giddens | RB | IND |
| ☐ 227 | Jason Sanders | PK | NYG |
| ☐ 228 | Cam Little | PK | JAC |
| ☐ 229 | Evan Engram | TE | DEN |
| ☐ 230 | Oronde Gadsden | TE | LAC |
| ☐ 231 | Elic Ayomanor | WR | TEN |
| ☐ 232 | Los Angeles Chargers | DST | LAC |
| ☐ 233 | Las Vegas Raiders | DST | LV |
| ☐ 234 | Jonah Coleman (R) | RB | DEN |
| ☐ 235 | Nicholas Singleton (R) | RB | TEN |
| ☐ 236 | Jacoby Brissett | QB | ARI |
| ☐ 237 | Malik Willis | QB | MIA |
| ☐ 238 | Geno Smith | QB | NYJ |
| ☐ 239 | Mar'Shawn Lloyd | RB | GB |
| ☐ 240 | Jaylin Noel | WR | HOU |
| ☐ 241 | Chimere Dike | WR | TEN |
| ☐ 242 | Cleveland Browns | DST | CLE |
| ☐ 243 | Tyler Bass | PK | BUF |
| ☐ 244 | Dontayvion Wicks | WR | PHI |
| ☐ 245 | Detroit Lions | DST | DET |
| ☐ 246 | Philadelphia Eagles | DST | PHI |
| ☐ 247 | Harrison Butker | PK | KC |
| ☐ 248 | Wil Lutz | PK | DEN |
| ☐ 249 | Tyler Loop | PK | BAL |
| ☐ 250 | Chris Boswell | PK | PIT |
| ☐ 251 | Green Bay Packers | DST | GB |
| ☐ 252 | Cole Kmet | TE | CHI |
| ☐ 253 | Darius Slayton | WR | NYG |
| ☐ 254 | Jahan Dotson | WR | ATL |
| ☐ 255 | CJ Daniels (R) | WR | LAR |
| ☐ 256 | Christian Kirk | WR | SF |
| ☐ 257 | Harrison Mevis | PK | LAR |
| ☐ 258 | Blake Grupe | PK | IND |
| ☐ 259 | Andy Borregales | PK | NE |
| ☐ 260 | Shedeur Sanders | QB | CLE |
| ☐ 261 | Carolina Panthers | DST | CAR |
| ☐ 262 | New England Patriots | DST | NE |
| ☐ 263 | Jacksonville Jaguars | DST | JAC |
| ☐ 264 | Tua Tagovailoa | QB | ATL |
| ☐ 265 | Tennessee Titans | DST | TEN |
| ☐ 266 | Tank Dell | WR | HOU |
| ☐ 267 | Dawson Knox | TE | BUF |
| ☐ 268 | Denzel Boston (R) | WR | CLE |
| ☐ 269 | Hollywood Brown | WR | PHI |
| ☐ 270 | Washington Commanders | DST | WAS |
| ☐ 271 | New Orleans Saints | DST | NO |
| ☐ 272 | Dallas Cowboys | DST | DAL |
| ☐ 273 | New York Giants | DST | NYG |
| ☐ 274 | Tyquan Thornton | WR | KC |
| ☐ 275 | Kyle Williams | WR | NE |
| ☐ 276 | Calvin Ridley | WR | TEN |
| ☐ 277 | DeMario Douglas | WR | NE |
| ☐ 278 | Theo Johnson | TE | NYG |
| ☐ 279 | Matt Hibner (R) | TE | BAL |
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| ☐ | 1 | Ja'Marr Chase (1) | WR | CIN |
| ☐ | 2 | Bijan Robinson (1) | RB | ATL |
| ☐ | 3 | Jahmyr Gibbs (2) | RB | DET |
| ☐ | 4 | Jaxon Smith-Njigba (2) | WR | SEA |
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| ☐ | 6 | Puka Nacua (3) | WR | LAR |
| ☐ | 7 | Amon-Ra St. Brown (4) | WR | DET |
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| ☐ | 14 | Emeka Egbuka (7) | WR | TB |
| ☐ | 15 | Tetairoa McMillan (8) | WR | CAR |
| ☐ | 16 | Breece Hall (8) | RB | NYJ |
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| ☐ | 18 | Saquon Barkley (10) | RB | PHI |
| ☐ | 19 | Josh Jacobs (11) | RB | GB |
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| ☐ | 22 | Drake London (10) | WR | ATL |
| ☐ | 23 | Kenneth Walker III (13) | RB | KC |
| ☐ | 24 | Omarion Hampton (14) | RB | LAC |
| ☐ | 25 | Derrick Henry (15) | RB | BAL |
| ☐ | 26 | Trey McBride (1) | TE | ARI |
| ☐ | 27 | Chris Olave (11) | WR | NO |
| ☐ | 28 | Chase Brown (16) | RB | CIN |
| ☐ | 29 | RJ Harvey (17) | RB | DEN |
| ☐ | 30 | Nico Collins (12) | WR | HOU |
| ☐ | 31 | Josh Allen (1) | QB | BUF |
| ☐ | 32 | Zay Flowers (13) | WR | BAL |
| ☐ | 33 | Terry McLaurin (14) | WR | WAS |
| ☐ | 34 | A.J. Brown (15) | WR | NE |
| ☐ | 35 | Brock Bowers (2) | TE | LV |
| ☐ | 36 | TreVeyon Henderson (18) | RB | NE |
| ☐ | 37 | DeVonta Smith (16) | WR | PHI |
| ☐ | 38 | Tyler Warren (3) | TE | IND |
| ☐ | 39 | Courtland Sutton (17) | WR | DEN |
| ☐ | 40 | D'Andre Swift (19) | RB | CHI |
| ☐ | 41 | Malik Nabers (18) | WR | NYG |
| ☐ | 42 | Colston Loveland (4) | TE | CHI |
| ☐ | 43 | Quinshon Judkins (20) | RB | CLE |
| ☐ | 44 | Luther Burden III (19) | WR | CHI |
| ☐ | 45 | Jack Campbell (1) | LB | DET |
| ☐ | 46 | Brian Thomas Jr. (20) | WR | JAC |
| ☐ | 47 | Ladd McConkey (21) | WR | LAC |
| ☐ | 48 | Garrett Wilson (22) | WR | NYJ |

|  | Rk | Player (Pos Rank) | Pos | Team |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ | 49 | Travis Etienne Jr. (21) | RB | NO |
| ☐ | 50 | Carson Schwesinger (2) | LB | CLE |
| ☐ | 51 | Bucky Irving (22) | RB | TB |
| ☐ | 52 | Jameson Williams (23) | WR | DET |
| ☐ | 53 | Tee Higgins (24) | WR | CIN |
| ☐ | 54 | Harold Fannin Jr. (5) | TE | CLE |
| ☐ | 55 | Davante Adams (25) | WR | LAR |
| ☐ | 56 | Chuba Hubbard (23) | RB | CAR |
| ☐ | 57 | Cam Skattebo (24) | RB | NYG |
| ☐ | 58 | Jeremiyah Love (R) (25) | RB | ARI |
| ☐ | 59 | Dak Prescott (2) | QB | DAL |
| ☐ | 60 | Joe Burrow (3) | QB | CIN |
| ☐ | 61 | DK Metcalf (26) | WR | PIT |
| ☐ | 62 | Jordyn Brooks (3) | LB | MIA |
| ☐ | 63 | Cedric Gray (4) | LB | TEN |
| ☐ | 64 | DJ Moore (27) | WR | BUF |
| ☐ | 65 | Rome Odunze (28) | WR | CHI |
| ☐ | 66 | Mike Evans (29) | WR | SF |
| ☐ | 67 | Caleb Williams (4) | QB | CHI |
| ☐ | 68 | Lamar Jackson (5) | QB | BAL |
| ☐ | 69 | Roquan Smith (5) | LB | BAL |
| ☐ | 70 | T.J. Watt (1) | DL | PIT |
| ☐ | 71 | Nick Bolton (6) | LB | KC |
| ☐ | 72 | Zaire Franklin (7) | LB | GB |
| ☐ | 73 | Rico Dowdle (26) | RB | PIT |
| ☐ | 74 | Demetrius Knight Jr. (8) | LB | CIN |
| ☐ | 75 | Fred Warner (9) | LB | SF |
| ☐ | 76 | Nick Emmanwori (1) | DB | SEA |
| ☐ | 77 | David Montgomery (27) | RB | HOU |
| ☐ | 78 | Tony Pollard (28) | RB | TEN |
| ☐ | 79 | Will Anderson Jr. (2) | DL | HOU |
| ☐ | 80 | Brian Burns (3) | DL | NYG |
| ☐ | 81 | Kyle Monangai (29) | RB | CHI |
| ☐ | 82 | Rashee Rice (30) | WR | KC |
| ☐ | 83 | Bo Nix (6) | QB | DEN |
| ☐ | 84 | Zack Baun (10) | LB | PHI |
| ☐ | 85 | Jaylen Waddle (31) | WR | DEN |
| ☐ | 86 | Kyle Pitts Sr. (6) | TE | ATL |
| ☐ | 87 | Cooper DeJean (2) | DB | PHI |
| ☐ | 88 | Alvin Kamara (30) | RB | NO |
| ☐ | 89 | Jessie Bates III (3) | DB | ATL |
| ☐ | 90 | Foyesade Oluokun (11) | LB | JAC |
| ☐ | 91 | Aidan Hutchinson (4) | DL | DET |
| ☐ | 92 | Myles Garrett (5) | DL | CLE |
| ☐ | 93 | Jamien Sherwood (12) | LB | NYJ |
| ☐ | 94 | Jaylen Warren (31) | RB | PIT |
| ☐ | 95 | Jadarian Price (R) (32) | RB | SEA |
| ☐ | 96 | Michael Pittman Jr. (32) | WR | PIT |

## TOP 65 IDPs

| Rk | Player (Pos Rank) | Pos | Team |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Jack Campbell (1) | LB | DET |
| 2 | Carson Schwesinger (2) | LB | CLE |
| 3 | Jordyn Brooks (3) | LB | MIA |
| 4 | Cedric Gray (4) | LB | TEN |
| 5 | Roquan Smith (5) | LB | BAL |
| 6 | T.J. Watt (1) | DL | PIT |

| Rk | Player (Pos Rank) | Pos | Team |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7 | Nick Bolton (6) | LB | KC |
| 8 | Zaire Franklin (7) | LB | GB |
| 9 | Dem. Knight Jr. (8) | LB | CIN |
| 10 | Fred Warner (9) | LB | SF |
| 11 | Nick Emmanwori (1) | DB | SEA |
| 12 | Will Anderson Jr. (2) | DL | HOU |
| 13 | Brian Burns (3) | DL | NYG |
| 14 | Zack Baun (10) | LB | PHI |
| 15 | Cooper DeJean (2) | DB | PHI |

| Rk | Player (Pos Rank) | Pos | Team |
|---|---|---|---|
| 16 | Jessie Bates III (3) | DB | ATL |
| 17 | Foyesade Oluokun (11) | LB | JAC |
| 18 | Aidan Hutchinson (4) | DL | DET |
| 19 | Myles Garrett (5) | DL | CLE |
| 20 | Jamien Sherwood (12) | LB | NYJ |
| 21 | Kyle Hamilton (4) | DB | BAL |
| 22 | Budda Baker (5) | DB | ARI |
| 23 | T.J. Edwards (13) | LB | CHI |
| 24 | Payton Wilson (14) | LB | PIT |

| Rk | Player (Pos Rank) | Pos | Team |
|---|---|---|---|
| 25 | Kaden Elliss (15) | LB | NO |
| 26 | Jihaad Campbell (16) | LB | PHI |
| 27 | Edgerrin Cooper (17) | LB | GB |
| 28 | Daiyan Henley (18) | LB | LAC |
| 29 | Sonny Styles (R) (19) | LB | WAS |
| 30 | Maxx Crosby (6) | DL | LV |
| 31 | Robert Spillane (20) | LB | NE |
| 32 | Tyrel Dodson (21) | LB | MIA |
| 33 | CJ Allen (R) (22) | LB | IND |

| Rk | Player (Pos Rank) | Pos | Team |
|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ 97 | **Marvin Harrison Jr.** (33) | WR | ARI |
| ☐ 98 | **Kyle Hamilton** (4) | DB | BAL |
| ☐ 99 | **Budda Baker** (5) | DB | ARI |
| ☐ 100 | **Drake Maye** (7) | QB | NE |
| ☐ 101 | **T.J. Edwards** (13) | LB | CHI |
| ☐ 102 | **Alec Pierce** (34) | WR | IND |
| ☐ 103 | **Jayden Reed** (35) | WR | GB |
| ☐ 104 | **Michael Wilson** (36) | WR | ARI |
| ☐ 105 | **Trevor Lawrence** (8) | QB | JAC |
| ☐ 106 | **Travis Kelce** (7) | TE | KC |
| ☐ 107 | **Jalen Hurts** (9) | QB | PHI |
| ☐ 108 | **Justin Herbert** (10) | QB | LAC |
| ☐ 109 | **Payton Wilson** (14) | LB | PIT |
| ☐ 110 | **Chris Godwin** (37) | WR | TB |
| ☐ 111 | **Jakobi Meyers** (38) | WR | JAC |
| ☐ 112 | **Rachaad White** (33) | RB | WAS |
| ☐ 113 | **Sam LaPorta** (8) | TE | DET |
| ☐ 114 | **Jerry Jeudy** (39) | WR | CLE |
| ☐ 115 | **Jared Goff** (11) | QB | DET |
| ☐ 116 | **Josh Downs** (40) | WR | IND |
| ☐ 117 | **Kaden Elliss** (15) | LB | NO |
| ☐ 118 | **Jihaad Campbell** (16) | LB | PHI |
| ☐ 119 | **Edgerrin Cooper** (17) | LB | GB |
| ☐ 120 | **Daiyan Henley** (18) | LB | LAC |
| ☐ 121 | **Sonny Styles** (R) (19) | LB | WAS |
| ☐ 122 | **Jake Ferguson** (9) | TE | DAL |
| ☐ 123 | **Jayden Daniels** (12) | QB | WAS |
| ☐ 124 | **Matthew Stafford** (13) | QB | LAR |
| ☐ 125 | **Maxx Crosby** (6) | DL | LV |
| ☐ 126 | **Rhamondre Stevenson** (34) | RB | NE |
| ☐ 127 | **Woody Marks** (35) | RB | HOU |
| ☐ 128 | **Mark Andrews** (10) | TE | BAL |
| ☐ 129 | **Robert Spillane** (20) | LB | NE |
| ☐ 130 | **Tyrel Dodson** (21) | LB | MIA |
| ☐ 131 | **CJ Allen** (R) (22) | LB | IND |
| ☐ 132 | **Christian Watson** (41) | WR | GB |
| ☐ 133 | **Nick Cross** (6) | DB | WAS |
| ☐ 134 | **Antoine Winfield Jr.** (7) | DB | TB |
| ☐ 135 | **Mike Sainristil** (8) | DB | WAS |
| ☐ 136 | **Chamarri Conner** (9) | DB | KC |
| ☐ 137 | **Aaron Jones Sr.** (36) | RB | MIN |
| ☐ 138 | **Tyjae Spears** (37) | RB | TEN |
| ☐ 139 | **Bhayshul Tuten** (38) | RB | JAC |
| ☐ 140 | **Baker Mayfield** (14) | QB | TB |
| ☐ 141 | **Parker Washington** (42) | WR | JAC |
| ☐ 142 | **Juwan Johnson** (11) | TE | NO |
| ☐ 143 | **George Kittle** (12) | TE | SF |
| ☐ 144 | **Xavier McKinney** (10) | DB | GB |

| Rk | Player (Pos Rank) | Pos | Team |
|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ 145 | **Derwin James Jr.** (11) | DB | LAC |
| ☐ 146 | **Jordan Love** (15) | QB | GB |
| ☐ 147 | **Kyler Murray** (16) | QB | MIN |
| ☐ 148 | **Jaxson Dart** (17) | QB | NYG |
| ☐ 149 | **Jeffery Simmons** (7) | DL | TEN |
| ☐ 150 | **Patrick Queen** (23) | LB | PIT |
| ☐ 151 | **Ernest Jones IV** (24) | LB | SEA |
| ☐ 152 | **Jordan Addison** (43) | WR | MIN |
| ☐ 153 | **Quay Walker** (25) | LB | LV |
| ☐ 154 | **Xavier Worthy** (44) | WR | KC |
| ☐ 155 | **Quentin Johnston** (45) | WR | LAC |
| ☐ 156 | **Romeo Doubs** (46) | WR | NE |
| ☐ 157 | **Dalton Kincaid** (13) | TE | BUF |
| ☐ 158 | **Tucker Kraft** (14) | TE | GB |
| ☐ 159 | **Tykee Smith** (12) | DB | TB |
| ☐ 160 | **Talanoa Hufanga** (13) | DB | DEN |
| ☐ 161 | **Devon Witherspoon** (14) | DB | SEA |
| ☐ 162 | **Kam Curl** (15) | DB | LAR |
| ☐ 163 | **Jordan Battle** (16) | DB | CIN |
| ☐ 164 | **Wan'Dale Robinson** (47) | WR | TEN |
| ☐ 165 | **Jordyn Tyson** (R) (48) | WR | NO |
| ☐ 166 | **Sam Darnold** (18) | QB | SEA |
| ☐ 167 | **Khalil Shakir** (49) | WR | BUF |
| ☐ 168 | **Brock Purdy** (19) | QB | SF |
| ☐ 169 | **Derrick Brown** (8) | DL | CAR |
| ☐ 170 | **Tre Tucker** (50) | WR | LV |
| ☐ 171 | **Matthew Golden** (51) | WR | GB |
| ☐ 172 | **Dylan Sampson** (39) | RB | CLE |
| ☐ 173 | **Kenneth Gainwell** (40) | RB | TB |
| ☐ 174 | **J.K. Dobbins** (41) | RB | DEN |
| ☐ 175 | **Tyrone Tracy Jr.** (42) | RB | NYG |
| ☐ 176 | **Blake Corum** (43) | RB | LAR |
| ☐ 177 | **Alex Anzalone** (26) | LB | TB |
| ☐ 178 | **Alex Singleton** (27) | LB | DEN |
| ☐ 179 | **Jayden Higgins** (52) | WR | HOU |
| ☐ 180 | **Chig Okonkwo** (15) | TE | WAS |
| ☐ 181 | **Jacory Croskey-Merritt** (44) | RB | WAS |
| ☐ 182 | **James Conner** (45) | RB | ARI |
| ☐ 183 | **Jordan Mason** (46) | RB | MIN |
| ☐ 184 | **Tyler Shough** (20) | QB | NO |
| ☐ 185 | **Patrick Mahomes** (21) | QB | NO |
| ☐ 186 | **Hunter Henry** (16) | TE | NE |
| ☐ 187 | **Nate Landman** (28) | LB | LAR |
| ☐ 188 | **Blake Cashman** (29) | LB | MIN |
| ☐ 189 | **Rashid Shaheed** (53) | WR | SEA |
| ☐ 190 | **Tre' Harris** (54) | WR | LAC |
| ☐ 191 | **Makai Lemon** (R) (55) | WR | PHI |
| ☐ 192 | **Carnell Tate** (R) (56) | WR | TEN |

| Rk | Player (Pos Rank) | Pos | Team |
|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ 193 | **Isiah Pacheco** (47) | RB | DET |
| ☐ 194 | **Barrett Carter** (30) | LB | CIN |
| ☐ 195 | **Tremaine Edmunds** (31) | LB | NYG |
| ☐ 196 | **Demario Davis** (32) | LB | NYJ |
| ☐ 197 | **Jordan Davis** (9) | DL | PHI |
| ☐ 198 | **Laiatu Latu** (10) | DL | IND |
| ☐ 199 | **Pat Freiermuth** (17) | TE | PIT |
| ☐ 200 | **Dalton Schultz** (18) | TE | HOU |
| ☐ 201 | **Brenton Strange** (19) | TE | JAC |
| ☐ 202 | **Isaiah Likely** (20) | TE | NYG |
| ☐ 203 | **Kamari Lassiter** (17) | DB | HOU |
| ☐ 204 | **Joshua Metellus** (18) | DB | MIN |
| ☐ 205 | **Jeremy Chinn** (19) | DB | LV |
| ☐ 206 | **Montez Sweat** (11) | DL | CHI |
| ☐ 207 | **Jalen Redmond** (12) | DL | MIN |
| ☐ 208 | **Micah Parsons** (13) | DL | GB |
| ☐ 209 | **Ricky Pearsall** (57) | WR | SF |
| ☐ 210 | **Jack Bech** (58) | WR | LV |
| ☐ 211 | **Antonio Williams** (R) (59) | WR | WAS |
| ☐ 212 | **Troy Franklin** (60) | WR | DEN |
| ☐ 213 | **KC Concepcion** (R) (61) | WR | CLE |
| ☐ 214 | **Jaquan Brisker** (20) | DB | PIT |
| ☐ 215 | **Ronnie Hickman** (21) | DB | CLE |
| ☐ 216 | **Riley Moss** (22) | DB | DEN |
| ☐ 217 | **Dax Hill** (23) | DB | CIN |
| ☐ 218 | **Cade Otton** (21) | TE | TB |
| ☐ 219 | **Dallas Goedert** (22) | TE | PHI |
| ☐ 220 | **Kenyon Sadiq** (R) (23) | TE | NYJ |
| ☐ 221 | **C.J. Stroud** (22) | QB | HOU |
| ☐ 222 | **Bryce Young** (23) | QB | CAR |
| ☐ 223 | **AJ Barner** (24) | TE | SEA |
| ☐ 224 | **Gunnar Helm** (25) | TE | TEN |
| ☐ 225 | **Germie Bernard** (R) (62) | WR | PIT |
| ☐ 226 | **Isaiah Davis** (48) | RB | NYJ |
| ☐ 227 | **Aaron Rodgers** (24) | QB | PIT |
| ☐ 228 | **Tyson Campbell** (24) | DB | CLE |
| ☐ 229 | **Tre'von Moehrig** (25) | DB | CAR |
| ☐ 230 | **Xavier Watts** (26) | DB | ATL |
| ☐ 231 | **David Njoku** (26) | TE | LAC |
| ☐ 232 | **Justice Hill** (49) | RB | BAL |
| ☐ 233 | **Zach Charbonnet** (50) | RB | SEA |
| ☐ 234 | **Tyler Allgeier** (51) | RB | ARI |
| ☐ 235 | **Ka'imi Fairbairn** (1) | PK | HOU |
| ☐ 236 | **Jason Myers** (2) | PK | SEA |
| ☐ 237 | **Alontae Taylor** (27) | DB | TEN |
| ☐ 238 | **Brandon Aubrey** (3) | PK | DAL |
| ☐ 239 | **Cameron Dicker** (4) | PK | LAC |
| ☐ 240 | **T.J. Hockenson** (27) | TE | MIN |

| Rk | Player (Pos Rank) | Pos | Team |
|---|---|---|---|
| 34 | **Nick Cross** (6) | DB | WAS |
| 35 | **Antoine Winfield Jr.** (7) | DB | TB |
| 36 | **Mike Sainristil** (8) | DB | WAS |
| 37 | **Chamarri Conner** (9) | DB | KC |
| 38 | **Xavier McKinney** (10) | DB | GB |
| 39 | **Derwin James Jr.** (11) | DB | LAC |
| 40 | **Jeffery Simmons** (7) | DL | TEN |
| 41 | **Patrick Queen** (23) | LB | PIT |
| 42 | **Ernest Jones IV** (24) | LB | SEA |

| Rk | Player (Pos Rank) | Pos | Team |
|---|---|---|---|
| 43 | **Quay Walker** (25) | LB | LV |
| 44 | **Tykee Smith** (12) | DB | TB |
| 45 | **Talanoa Hufanga** (13) | DB | DEN |
| 46 | **Devon Witherspoon** (14) | DB | SEA |
| 47 | **Kam Curl** (15) | DB | LAR |
| 48 | **Jordan Battle** (16) | DB | CIN |
| 49 | **Derrick Brown** (8) | DL | CAR |
| 50 | **Alex Anzalone** (26) | LB | TB |
| 51 | **Alex Singleton** (27) | LB | DEN |

| Rk | Player (Pos Rank) | Pos | Team |
|---|---|---|---|
| 52 | **Nate Landman** (28) | LB | LAR |
| 53 | **Blake Cashman** (29) | LB | MIN |
| 54 | **Barrett Carter** (30) | LB | CIN |
| 55 | **Tremaine Edmunds** (31) | LB | NYG |
| 56 | **DeMario Davis** (32) | LB | NYJ |
| 57 | **Jordan Davis** (9) | DL | PHI |
| 58 | **Laiatu Latu** (10) | DL | IND |
| 59 | **Kamari Lassiter** (17) | DB | HOU |
| 60 | **Joshua Metellus** (18) | DB | MIN |

| Rk | Player (Pos Rank) | Pos | Team |
|---|---|---|---|
| 61 | **Jeremy Chinn** (19) | DB | LV |
| 62 | **Montez Sweat** (11) | DL | CHI |
| 63 | **Jalen Redmond** (12) | DL | MIN |
| 64 | **Devin Lloyd** (33) | LB | CAR |
| 65 | **Nakobe Dean** (34) | LB | LV |

# FANTASY POSITION RANKINGS

## QUARTERBACKS

| | Rk | Player | Team |
|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ | 1 | Josh Allen | BUF |
| ☐ | 2 | Dak Prescott | DAL |
| ☐ | 3 | Joe Burrow | CIN |
| ☐ | 4 | Caleb Williams | CHI |
| ☐ | 5 | Lamar Jackson | BAL |
| ☐ | 6 | Bo Nix | DEN |
| ☐ | 7 | Drake Maye | NE |
| ☐ | 8 | Trevor Lawrence | JAC |
| ☐ | 9 | Jalen Hurts | PHI |
| ☐ | 10 | Justin Herbert | LAC |
| ☐ | 11 | Jared Goff | DET |
| ☐ | 12 | Jayden Daniels | WAS |
| ☐ | 13 | Matthew Stafford | LAR |
| ☐ | 14 | Baker Mayfield | TB |
| ☐ | 15 | Jordan Love | GB |
| ☐ | 16 | Kyler Murray | MIN |
| ☐ | 17 | Jaxson Dart | NYG |
| ☐ | 18 | Sam Darnold | SEA |
| ☐ | 19 | Brock Purdy | SF |
| ☐ | 20 | Tyler Shough | NO |
| ☐ | 21 | Patrick Mahomes | KC |
| ☐ | 22 | C.J. Stroud | HOU |
| ☐ | 23 | Bryce Young | CAR |
| ☐ | 24 | Aaron Rodgers | PIT |
| ☐ | 25 | Daniel Jones | IND |

| | Rk | Player | Team |
|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ | 26 | Cam Ward | TEN |
| ☐ | 27 | Jacoby Brissett | ARI |
| ☐ | 28 | Malik Willis | MIA |
| ☐ | 29 | Geno Smith | NYJ |
| ☐ | 30 | Shedeur Sanders | CLE |
| ☐ | 31 | Tua Tagovailoa | ATL |
| ☐ | 32 | Kirk Cousins | LV |
| ☐ | 33 | Fernando Mendoza (R) | LV |
| ☐ | 34 | Justin Fields | KC |
| ☐ | 35 | Deshaun Watson | CLE |
| ☐ | 36 | Michael Penix Jr. | ATL |
| ☐ | 37 | Mac Jones | SF |
| ☐ | 38 | Quinn Ewers | MIA |
| ☐ | 39 | Jameis Winston | NYG |
| ☐ | 40 | Riley Leonard | IND |
| ☐ | 41 | Carson Beck (R) | ARI |
| ☐ | 42 | Cade Klubnik (R) | NYJ |
| ☐ | 43 | Drew Allar (R) | PIT |
| ☐ | 44 | J.J. McCarthy | MIN |
| ☐ | 45 | Tyler Huntley | BAL |
| ☐ | 46 | Mitchell Trubisky | TEN |
| ☐ | 47 | Jarrett Stidham | DEN |
| ☐ | 48 | Will Howard | PIT |
| ☐ | 49 | Taylen Green (R) | CLE |
| ☐ | 50 | Ty Simpson (R) | LAR |

## RUNNING BACKS

| | Rk | Player | Team |
|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ | 1 | Bijan Robinson | ATL |
| ☐ | 2 | Jahmyr Gibbs | DET |
| ☐ | 3 | Christian McCaffrey | SF |
| ☐ | 4 | Jonathan Taylor | IND |
| ☐ | 5 | Ashton Jeanty | LV |
| ☐ | 6 | James Cook III | BUF |
| ☐ | 7 | De'Von Achane | MIA |
| ☐ | 8 | Breece Hall | NYJ |
| ☐ | 9 | Javonte Williams | DAL |
| ☐ | 10 | Saquon Barkley | PHI |
| ☐ | 11 | Josh Jacobs | GB |
| ☐ | 12 | Kyren Williams | LAR |
| ☐ | 13 | Kenneth Walker III | KC |
| ☐ | 14 | Omarion Hampton | LAC |
| ☐ | 15 | Derrick Henry | BAL |
| ☐ | 16 | Chase Brown | CIN |
| ☐ | 17 | RJ Harvey | DEN |
| ☐ | 18 | TreVeyon Henderson | NE |
| ☐ | 19 | D'Andre Swift | CHI |
| ☐ | 20 | Quinshon Judkins | CLE |
| ☐ | 21 | Travis Etienne Jr. | NO |
| ☐ | 22 | Bucky Irving | TB |
| ☐ | 23 | Chuba Hubbard | CAR |
| ☐ | 24 | Cam Skattebo | NYG |
| ☐ | 25 | Jeremiyah Love (R) | ARI |
| ☐ | 26 | Rico Dowdle | PIT |
| ☐ | 27 | David Montgomery | HOU |
| ☐ | 28 | Tony Pollard | TEN |
| ☐ | 29 | Kyle Monangai | CHI |
| ☐ | 30 | Alvin Kamara | NO |
| ☐ | 31 | Jaylen Warren | PIT |
| ☐ | 32 | Jadarian Price (R) | SEA |
| ☐ | 33 | Rachaad White | WAS |
| ☐ | 34 | Rhamondre Stevenson | NE |
| ☐ | 35 | Woody Marks | HOU |
| ☐ | 36 | Aaron Jones Sr. | MIN |
| ☐ | 37 | Tyjae Spears | TEN |
| ☐ | 38 | Bhayshul Tuten | JAC |
| ☐ | 39 | Dylan Sampson | CLE |
| ☐ | 40 | Kenneth Gainwell | TB |

| | Rk | Player | Team |
|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ | 41 | J.K. Dobbins | DEN |
| ☐ | 42 | Tyrone Tracy Jr. | NYG |
| ☐ | 43 | Blake Corum | LAR |
| ☐ | 44 | Jacory Croskey-Merritt | WAS |
| ☐ | 45 | James Conner | ARI |
| ☐ | 46 | Jordan Mason | MIN |
| ☐ | 47 | Isiah Pacheco | DET |
| ☐ | 48 | Isaiah Davis | NYJ |
| ☐ | 49 | Justice Hill | BAL |
| ☐ | 50 | Zach Charbonnet | SEA |
| ☐ | 51 | Tyler Allgeier | ARI |
| ☐ | 52 | Chris Rodriguez Jr. | JAC |
| ☐ | 53 | Devin Singletary | NYG |
| ☐ | 54 | Chris Brooks | GB |
| ☐ | 55 | LeQuint Allen Jr. | JAC |
| ☐ | 56 | Kimani Vidal | LAC |
| ☐ | 57 | Ty Johnson | BUF |
| ☐ | 58 | Emanuel Wilson | SEA |
| ☐ | 59 | Jaylen Wright | MIA |
| ☐ | 60 | Samaje Perine | CIN |
| ☐ | 61 | Jaydon Blue | DAL |
| ☐ | 62 | Demond Claiborne (R) | MIN |
| ☐ | 63 | Kaelon Black (R) | SF |
| ☐ | 64 | Brian Robinson Jr. | ATL |
| ☐ | 65 | Adam Randall (R) | BAL |
| ☐ | 66 | Ray Davis | BUF |
| ☐ | 67 | Kaytron Allen (R) | WAS |
| ☐ | 68 | Jonathon Brooks | CAR |
| ☐ | 69 | Brashard Smith | KC |
| ☐ | 70 | Sean Tucker | TB |
| ☐ | 71 | Mike Washington Jr. (R) | LV |
| ☐ | 72 | Trevor Etienne | CAR |
| ☐ | 73 | Jerome Ford | WAS |
| ☐ | 74 | DJ Giddens | IND |
| ☐ | 75 | Jonah Coleman (R) | DEN |
| ☐ | 76 | Nicholas Singleton (R) | TEN |
| ☐ | 77 | Emari Demercado | KC |
| ☐ | 78 | Ollie Gordon II | MIA |
| ☐ | 79 | Tank Bigsby | PHI |
| ☐ | 80 | Devin Neal | NO |

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## WIDE RECEIVERS

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| Rk | Player | Team |
|---|---|---|
| ☐ 1 | Ja’Marr Chase | CIN |
| ☐ 2 | Jaxon Smith-Njigba | SEA |
| ☐ 3 | Puka Nacua | LAR |
| ☐ 4 | Amon-Ra St. Brown | DET |
| ☐ 5 | Justin Jefferson | MIN |
| ☐ 6 | CeeDee Lamb | DAL |
| ☐ 7 | Emeka Egbuka | TB |
| ☐ 8 | Tetairoa McMillan | CAR |
| ☐ 9 | George Pickens | DAL |
| ☐ 10 | Drake London | ATL |
| ☐ 11 | Chris Olave | NO |
| ☐ 12 | Nico Collins | HOU |
| ☐ 13 | Zay Flowers | BAL |
| ☐ 14 | Terry McLaurin | WAS |
| ☐ 15 | A.J. Brown | NE |
| ☐ 16 | DeVonta Smith | PHI |
| ☐ 17 | Courtland Sutton | DEN |
| ☐ 18 | Malik Nabers | NYG |
| ☐ 19 | Luther Burden III | CHI |
| ☐ 20 | Brian Thomas Jr. | JAC |
| ☐ 21 | Ladd McConkey | LAC |
| ☐ 22 | Garrett Wilson | NYJ |
| ☐ 23 | Jameson Williams | DET |
| ☐ 24 | Tee Higgins | CIN |
| ☐ 25 | Davante Adams | LAR |
| ☐ 26 | DK Metcalf | PIT |
| ☐ 27 | DJ Moore | BUF |
| ☐ 28 | Rome Odunze | CHI |
| ☐ 29 | Mike Evans | SF |
| ☐ 30 | Rashee Rice | KC |
| ☐ 31 | Jaylen Waddle | DEN |
| ☐ 32 | Michael Pittman Jr. | PIT |
| ☐ 33 | Marvin Harrison Jr. | ARI |
| ☐ 34 | Alec Pierce | IND |
| ☐ 35 | Jayden Reed | GB |
| ☐ 36 | Michael Wilson | ARI |
| ☐ 37 | Chris Godwin | TB |
| ☐ 38 | Jakobi Meyers | JAC |
| ☐ 39 | Jerry Jeudy | CLE |
| ☐ 40 | Josh Downs | IND |
| ☐ 41 | Christian Watson | GB |
| ☐ 42 | Parker Washington | JAC |
| ☐ 43 | Jordan Addison | MIN |
| ☐ 44 | Xavier Worthy | KC |
| ☐ 45 | Quentin Johnston | LAC |
| ☐ 46 | Romeo Doubs | NE |
| ☐ 47 | Wan’Dale Robinson | TEN |
| ☐ 48 | Jordyn Tyson (R) | NO |
| ☐ 49 | Khalil Shakir | BUF |
| ☐ 50 | Tre Tucker | LV |
| ☐ 51 | Matthew Golden | GB |
| ☐ 52 | Jayden Higgins | HOU |
| ☐ 53 | Rashid Shaheed | SEA |
| ☐ 54 | Tre’ Harris | LAC |
| ☐ 55 | Makai Lemon (R) | PHI |
| ☐ 56 | Carnell Tate (R) | TEN |
| ☐ 57 | Ricky Pearsall | SF |
| ☐ 58 | Jack Bech | LV |
| ☐ 59 | Antonio Williams (R) | WAS |
| ☐ 60 | Troy Franklin | DEN |
| ☐ 61 | KC Concepcion (R) | CLE |
| ☐ 62 | Germie Bernard (R) | PIT |
| ☐ 63 | Rashod Bateman | BAL |
| ☐ 64 | Jauan Jennings | MIN |
| ☐ 65 | Cooper Kupp | SEA |
| ☐ 66 | Andrei Iosivas | CIN |
| ☐ 67 | Xavier Legette | CAR |
| ☐ 68 | Jalen Coker | CAR |
| ☐ 69 | Ryan Flournoy | DAL |
| ☐ 70 | Jalen McMillan | TB |
| ☐ 71 | Omar Cooper Jr. (R) | NYJ |
| ☐ 72 | Jalen Nailor | LV |
| ☐ 73 | Kayshon Boutte | NE |
| ☐ 74 | Caleb Douglas (R) | MIA |
| ☐ 75 | Isaac TeSlaa | DET |
| ☐ 76 | Keon Coleman | BUF |
| ☐ 77 | Adonai Mitchell | NYJ |
| ☐ 78 | Malik Washington | MIA |
| ☐ 79 | Luke McCaffrey | WAS |
| ☐ 80 | Elic Ayomanor | TEN |
| ☐ 81 | Jaylin Noel | HOU |
| ☐ 82 | Chimere Dike | TEN |
| ☐ 83 | Dontayvion Wicks | PHI |
| ☐ 84 | Jahan Dotson | ATL |
| ☐ 85 | CJ Daniels (R) | LAR |
| ☐ 86 | Christian Kirk | SF |
| ☐ 87 | Darius Slayton | NYG |
| ☐ 88 | Tank Dell | HOU |
| ☐ 89 | Denzel Boston (R) | CLE |
| ☐ 90 | Hollywood Brown | PHI |
| ☐ 91 | Tyquan Thornton | KC |
| ☐ 92 | Kyle Williams | NE |
| ☐ 93 | Calvin Ridley | TEN |
| ☐ 94 | DeMario Douglas | NE |
| ☐ 95 | Devontez Walker | BAL |
| ☐ 96 | Dont’e Thornton Jr. | LV |
| ☐ 97 | Chris Brazzell II (R) | CAR |
| ☐ 98 | Nick Westbrook-Ikhine | IND |
| ☐ 99 | Tez Johnson | TB |
| ☐ 100 | Travis Hunter | JAC |

## TIGHT ENDS

| Rk | Player | Team |
|---|---|---|
| ☐ 1 | Trey McBride | ARI |
| ☐ 2 | Brock Bowers | LV |
| ☐ 3 | Tyler Warren | IND |
| ☐ 4 | Colston Loveland | CHI |
| ☐ 5 | Harold Fannin Jr. | CLE |
| ☐ 6 | Kyle Pitts Sr. | ATL |
| ☐ 7 | Travis Kelce | KC |
| ☐ 8 | Sam LaPorta | DET |
| ☐ 9 | Jake Ferguson | DAL |
| ☐ 10 | Mark Andrews | BAL |
| ☐ 11 | Juwan Johnson | NO |
| ☐ 12 | George Kittle | SF |
| ☐ 13 | Dalton Kincaid | BUF |
| ☐ 14 | Tucker Kraft | GB |
| ☐ 15 | Chig Okonkwo | WAS |
| ☐ 16 | Hunter Henry | NE |
| ☐ 17 | Pat Freiermuth | PIT |
| ☐ 18 | Dalton Schultz | HOU |
| ☐ 19 | Brenton Strange | JAC |
| ☐ 20 | Isaiah Likely | NYG |
| ☐ 21 | Cade Otton | TB |
| ☐ 22 | Dallas Goedert | PHI |
| ☐ 23 | Kenyon Sadiq (R) | NYJ |
| ☐ 24 | AJ Barner | SEA |
| ☐ 25 | Gunnar Helm | TEN |
| ☐ 26 | David Njoku | LAC |
| ☐ 27 | T.J. Hockenson | MIN |
| ☐ 28 | Ja’Tavion Sanders | CAR |
| ☐ 29 | Colby Parkinson | LAR |
| ☐ 30 | Jake Tonges | SF |
| ☐ 31 | Mike Gesicki | CIN |
| ☐ 32 | Oronde Gadsden | LAC |
| ☐ 33 | Evan Engram | DEN |
| ☐ 34 | Cole Kmet | CHI |
| ☐ 35 | Dawson Knox | BUF |
| ☐ 36 | Theo Johnson | NYG |
| ☐ 37 | Matt Hibner (R) | BAL |
| ☐ 38 | Greg Dulcich | MIA |
| ☐ 39 | Luke Musgrave | GB |
| ☐ 40 | Tyler Higbee | LAR |

## KICKERS

| Rk | Player | Team |
|---|---|---|
| ☐ 1 | Ka’imi Fairbairn | HOU |
| ☐ 2 | Jason Myers | SEA |
| ☐ 3 | Brandon Aubrey | DAL |
| ☐ 4 | Cameron Dicker | LAC |
| ☐ 5 | Chase McLaughlin | TB |
| ☐ 6 | Will Reichard | MIN |
| ☐ 7 | Jake Bates | DET |
| ☐ 8 | Jason Sanders | NYG |
| ☐ 9 | Cam Little | JAC |
| ☐ 10 | Tyler Bass | BUF |
| ☐ 11 | Harrison Butker | KC |
| ☐ 12 | Wil Lutz | DEN |
| ☐ 13 | Tyler Loop | BAL |
| ☐ 14 | Chris Boswell | PIT |
| ☐ 15 | Harrison Mevis | LAR |
| ☐ 16 | Blake Grupe | IND |
| ☐ 17 | Andy Borregales | NE |
| ☐ 18 | Charlie Smyth | NO |
| ☐ 19 | Cairo Santos | CHI |
| ☐ 20 | Trey Smack (R) | GB |
| ☐ 21 | Nick Folk | ATL |
| ☐ 22 | Eddy Piñeiro | SF |
| ☐ 23 | Evan McPherson | CIN |
| ☐ 24 | Joey Slye | TEN |
| ☐ 25 | Chad Ryland | ARI |
| ☐ 26 | Matt Gay | LV |
| ☐ 27 | Jake Elliott | PHI |
| ☐ 28 | Ryan Fitzgerald | CAR |

## DEFENSE/ST

| Rk | Team |
|---|---|
| ☐ 1 | Rams |
| ☐ 2 | Broncos |
| ☐ 3 | Bills |
| ☐ 4 | Texans |
| ☐ 5 | Vikings |
| ☐ 6 | Bears |
| ☐ 7 | Seahawks |
| ☐ 8 | Steelers |
| ☐ 9 | Ravens |
| ☐ 10 | Chargers |
| ☐ 11 | Raiders |
| ☐ 12 | Browns |
| ☐ 13 | Lions |
| ☐ 14 | Eagles |
| ☐ 15 | Packers |
| ☐ 16 | Panthers |
| ☐ 17 | Patriots |
| ☐ 18 | Jaguars |
| ☐ 19 | Titans |
| ☐ 20 | Commanders |
| ☐ 21 | Saints |
| ☐ 22 | Cowboys |
| ☐ 23 | Giants |
| ☐ 24 | Falcons |
| ☐ 25 | Buccaneers |
| ☐ 26 | Colts |
| ☐ 27 | Bengals |
| ☐ 28 | 49ers |
| ☐ 29 | Chiefs |
| ☐ 30 | Jets |
| ☐ 31 | Cardinals |
| ☐ 32 | Dolphins |

# WHO'S NO. 1?

## JAHMYR GIBBS

RB | DETROIT

**YOU COULD MAKE A STRONG ARGUMENT FOR BIJAN ROBINSON,** but I'm giving the edge to Gibbs. David Montgomery was traded to Houston, and while the Lions signed Isiah Pacheco to help fill that void, he's been injury prone and doesn't quite bring the same level of thunder Montgomery did as Gibbs' change-of-pace running mate. Gibbs put up massive PPR numbers the few times Montgomery was out of the lineup, and his usage increased when HC Dan Campbell took over play-calling duties last season, even with Montgomery still in the lineup. It's unclear whether or not Campbell will remain the play-caller in 2026, but even if he hands that off to another coach, I'm betting on Gibbs taking his fantasy value to an even higher level in 2026.

— **LUKE EASTERLING** Athlon Senior Editor

**FIRST OFF, I REALLY DON'T WANT THE NO. 1 PICK IN MY DRAFT.** There are at least four players worthy of the first pick, so I'd much rather have the No. 4 overall pick and then pick No. 21 in Round 2 — as opposed to the No. 1 pick and then the No. 24 pick in Round 2. That said, if I had to make the No. 1 pick, I'd go Jahmyr Gibbs. Yes, Bijan Robinson had slightly better numbers last season, but Gibbs stands to get even more of the workload with David Montgomery gone. Montgomery had 182 touches last season (for 908 yards and eight touchdowns), and new Lions addition Isiah Pacheco will not get more than half of those. Montgomery was Detroit's goal-line back. Pacheco was a lousy goal-line back in Kansas City, so that means more opportunity for Gibbs. Gibbs had 18 total touchdowns last season, and he stands to improve on that number. I'm expecting more than 2,000 scrimmage yards and 20-plus touchdowns for Gibbs.

— **CRAIG ELLENPORT** Athlon Senior Editor

**JAHMYR GIBBS DIDN'T FINISH NO. 1 IN ATHLON SPORTS' FANTASY SCORING** among non-quarterbacks last season. In fact, he was third at his own position, behind Christian McCaffrey and Bijan Robinson. And while you can't go wrong taking any of these guys with the No. 1 pick, this year, my vote goes to Gibbs. Yes, McCaffrey lapped his RB peers in scoring thanks to an insane 102 receptions. However, I think it's unrealistic to expect an encore. For one, he will be 30 this season, a dreaded milestone for RBs, and San Francisco 49ers head coach Kyle Shanahan has also made it clear that he would like to reduce McCaffrey's workload. As for Robinson, while he's clearly the focal point of the Falcons' offense (and five years younger than McCaffrey), he barely outscored Gibbs last season despite amassing 46 more touches. In three seasons, Gibbs has scored 49 total touchdowns, averaged five yards per carry, and established himself as a reliable, if not dangerous, receiver. He has a new tag-team partner in Isiah Pacheco, but I still expect Gibbs to receive the (ahem) lion's share of touches. Opportunity plus big-play potential in a fantasy-friendly offense? Sign me up.

– **MARK ROSS** Athlon Contributing Editor

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# BIJAN
# ROBINSON

### RB | ATLANTA

**MUCH HAS BEEN MADE ABOUT DAVID MONTGOMERY'S ABSENCE** opening up more carries for Jahmyr Gibbs, but it works the exact same way in Atlanta with Tyler Allgeier off to Arizona. Brian Robinson Jr. simply lingered too long in free agency to be a major threat to the more important B. Robinson here. New Falcons head coach Kevin Stefanski's offenses have always been run-first, and Atlanta had so little draft capital this year that the team couldn't add much in the way of target competition for the trio of Robinson, Kyle Pitts Sr. and Drake London. The idea of some of the innovative screens that Stefanski was able to scheme up to get Shedeur Sanders some passing yards last year is pretty enticing when you pair it with one of the most dangerous players in the NFL in the open field.

— **RIVERS McCOWN** Athlon Fantasy Contributor

**ROBINSON'S EFFICIENCY AND OUTPUT HAVE INCREASED EACH YEAR OF HIS CAREER,** and there's reason to believe that 2026 could be his best season yet. Head coach Kevin Stefanski's arrival in Atlanta should raise the floor of an offense that Robinson has elevated since he was drafted in the first round in 2023. And Tyler Allgeier's departure could see Robinson's touch total creep closer to 400 and his touchdown output increase as well. That's the recipe for the RB1 campaign he's been building toward and came close to realizing last season. Robinson's uptick in receiving work coincided with the year Michael Penix Jr. took over under center. And backup Tua Tagovailoa is no stranger to involving his running backs in the passing game either. Between his consistent top-flight rushing output and floor of 50-plus receptions, the only thing missing for Robinson is a true touchdown spike. With a sky-high floor and seemingly no ceiling, Robinson should be the 1.01 in drafts this season — and possibly for years to come.

— **KYLE WOOD** Athlon Senior Editor

## JA'MARR

# CHASE

### WR | CINCINNATI

**WHEN YOU'RE PICKING NO. 1 OVERALL IN FANTASY, SIMPLY NOT WHIFFING CAN BE THE DIFFERENCE** between competing for the title and having to do some stupid humiliation ritual because you finished dead last. Few players are safer with as much league-winning upside as Cincinnati Bengals wide receiver Ja'Marr Chase. He does everything fantasy managers can reasonably expect from an elite playmaker. The Bengals run a proven offense with a stud quarterback, and fellow wideout Tee Higgins can shield Chase to a degree. The only real knock is Joe Burrow's durability. However, I'm confident No. 9 will stay healthy this year. His line played better in 2025, and how many times can a freak injury strike down the same guy?! In PPR, Chase edges out Bijan Robinson for me, mostly because Atlanta has a new system, quarterback and right tackle to worry about. I'd make a stronger argument for the running back in non-PPR, however.

— **CORY BONINI** Athlon Fantasy Editor

## JUSTIN

# JEFFERSON

### WR | MINNESOTA

**I'LL ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I'M CRAWLING WAY OUT ON A LIMB HERE.** After all, Jefferson is coming off career lows in receiving yardage (1,048), yards per reception (12.5) and touchdown receptions (a paltry two). But let's remember who was throwing him the football. The J.J. McCarthy experiment no doubt ruined a lot of fantasy seasons for a lot of owners. Well, a new day has dawned in the Twin Cities. Vikings head coach and QB reclamation specialist Kevin O'Connell has a new project on his hands, and I expect him to have the same level of success with Kyler Murray that he enjoyed with Sam Darnold. I would argue that Murray, with his 67.1% career completion rate, is slightly underrated as a passer, and he'll love looking Jefferson's way, especially on those off-schedule plays where Murray can use his legs to give JJ time to get open. Jefferson is the most talented receiver in football, and merely competent quarterback play will give him the chance to prove it yet again.

— **ROB DOSTER** Athlon Managing Editor

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# SIZING UP THE SOPHOMORES

Somewhere in between the uncertainty of rookies in fantasy football and the comfort of drafting trusted veterans lies that nebulous middle ground: sophomore insecurity.

Which little-used rookies are ready to blossom into fantasy studs in their second NFL season? Which amazing rookies are going to take a step back?

Last year provided a good example of why one must be careful about second-year assumptions. Washington Commanders quarterback Jayden Daniels was a rising star after winning Offensive Rookie of the Year in 2024, but a combination of injuries and an overrated team set him back in 2025. And after 2024 No. 1 overall pick Caleb Williams had a nondescript rookie season, the hiring of offensive guru Ben Johnson as head coach helped him become a viable fantasy weapon.

Here's a look at some key second-year players and what to expect from them in fantasy.

by
**CRAIG ELLENPORT**

## SOPHOMORE STARS

### CAM WARD

QB | TENNESSEE

Last year's No. 1 overall pick was a fantasy non-factor as a rookie. He had zero games with 300-plus passing yards and only four games with multiple TD passes. The good news is that those four two-TD games all came in the final five weeks of the season, a sign that Ward was improving as the season went on. On top of that, the receiving corps will only be better with the return from injury of veteran Calvin Ridley, the signing of former Giant Wan'Dale Robinson via free agency and the selection of Ohio State receiver Carnell Tate with the fourth overall pick in the draft.

### JAXSON DART

QB | N.Y. GIANTS

Once he took over for Russell Wilson as the Giants' starter in Week 4, the Ole Miss product immediately established himself as a viable dual-threat quarterback. Dart accounted for two or more total touchdowns in each of his first seven games — highlighted by a performance against the stingy Denver Broncos defense in which he posted 283 passing yards, three TD passes and one rushing TD. While there is concern that his running style leads to concussion issues, the healthy return of big-play wide receiver Malik Nabers will give Dart more opportunities to pass first.

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# SOPHOMORE STARS, CONT.

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## ASHTON JEANTY

RB | LAS VEGAS

Jeanty drew comparisons to Hall of Fame running back Barry Sanders when he was in college. So when the Raiders made him the sixth overall pick in last year's draft, the expectations were through the roof. For that reason, his production — 975 rushing yards and five rushing touchdowns — was disappointing. But considering the Raiders had a dismal offensive line, poor quarterback play and no help from the receivers, it's easy to give Jeanty a pass. With improvements all over the offense, Jeanty has a good chance to blossom into the superstar fantasy managers thought he would be.

## TETAIROA McMILLAN

WR | CAROLINA

The 2025 Offensive Rookie of the Year, McMillan caught 70 passes for 1,014 yards and seven touchdowns. What's more promising for both the Panthers and fantasy managers alike: McMillan got better as the season went on; five of his seven TDs came in the last seven games of the season.

## EMEKA EGBUKA

WR | TAMPA BAY

About five weeks into the 2025 season, Egbuka was among the most feared receivers in the NFL and considered a favorite for Offensive Rookie of the Year. His numbers cooled off as the season progressed, and he finished with 63 receptions for 938 yards and six touchdowns. Part of the cooldown was due to the return of the Bucs' No. 1 target, Mike Evans, from injury. Well, now Evans is gone, so the Egbuka targets should skyrocket.

## TREVEYON HENDERSON

RB | NEW ENGLAND

With Henderson and Rhamondre Stevenson, the defending AFC champs have as strong a 1-2 punch as anyone. Running back by committee is a dreaded term for fantasy managers, but Henderson had 1,132 scrimmage yards and 10 total TDs in 2025, and he should only get more carries this season. The fact that he joined Saquon Barkley as the only rookies in NFL history to record four TD runs of 50-plus yards underscores his big-play ability.

## HAROLD FANNIN JR.

TE | CLEVELAND

As a reminder of why it's risky using first-round draft picks on tight ends, Fannin — a third-round pick — had more fantasy points last season than the two first-round tight ends, the Bears' Colston Loveland and the Colts' Tyler Warren. Fannin had 72 catches last season for 731 yards and six touchdowns, adding one rushing TD as well. He was — and will continue to be — a valuable safety net for Cleveland's inexperienced quarterbacks. But he also had eight catches of 20-plus yards, a reminder that he can be impactful as well as reliable.

## CAM SKATTEBO

RB | N.Y. GIANTS

A fourth-round pick in 2025, Skattebo immediately made an impression on the Giants with his toughness. He scored seven total touchdowns (five rushing, two receiving) in eight games (five starts) before suffering a dislocated ankle and fractured fibula in October. Reports are that Skattebo will be full-go in training camp. After the Giants signed massive fullback Patrick Ricard in free agency, Skattebo getting goal-line carries and running behind Ricard could produce Tush-Push-level results.

## TYLER WARREN

TE | INDIANAPOLIS

Warren was supposed to be the first tight end drafted last year, but Colston Loveland took that honor when the Bears made him the 10th overall pick. Warren went 14th, and his 817 receiving yards in 2025 marked the fifth-best total among all tight ends. The fact that Loveland shares tight end targets with Cole Kmet makes Warren the more valuable fantasy option.

## ORONDE GADSDEN

TE | L.A. CHARGERS

Yet another example of why you don't need to take a tight end in the first round of the NFL draft. Gadsden was a fifth-round pick last year, and he caught 49 passes for 664 yards and three touchdowns. With new offensive coordinator Mike McDaniel in the fold, Gadsden will continue to be a key factor in the Chargers' offense. Expect his numbers to improve.

# SOPHOMORE SLEEPERS

## TYLER SHOUGH

QB | NEW ORLEANS

The Saints were already 1-7 when Shough became the starter last year, so very little was expected of him. Surprise. Shough actually finished with a winning record as the Saints' starter (5-4). In his nine starts, he had a pair of 300-yard passing games and accounted for two total touchdowns in five different games. The receiving corps still needs more help around Chris Olave, but Shough gained another weapon in the passing game with the signing of running back Travis Etienne Jr., and the Saints drafted three wide receivers, including the second one off the board (Jordyn Tyson, eighth overall). In his second year at the helm, offensive-minded head coach Kellen Moore should have some new wrinkles to add to the offense.

## QUINSHON JUDKINS

RB | CLEVELAND

After suffering a gruesome injury in Week 16 that resulted in a dislocated ankle and fractured fibula, Judkins is on pace to be full-go in training camp. That's good news for the Browns and for any fantasy managers who draft him. Judkins flashed his potential last season when he rushed for 827 yards and seven touchdowns. That was behind an injury-plagued offensive line and against defenses that could stack the box because they weren't afraid of Cleveland's passing game. If the offense shows any improvement, Judkins should be more dangerous.

## LUTHER BURDEN III

WR | CHICAGO

Rome Odunze goes into the season as the Bears' best receiver, but the trade of veteran DJ Moore to Buffalo also opens the door for Burden to be a bigger factor. Burden actually had more receptions than Odunze last season (47 to 44). Burden had only two TD receptions (Odunze had six), but it's clear Burden will be a popular target for Caleb Williams, and the fantasy numbers should be there.

## TERRANCE FERGUSON

TE | L.A. RAMS

Rams head coach Sean McVay embraced a three-TE formation last season, and it was very effective — maybe not for fantasy production from the tight ends, but for overall team success. Veterans Colby Parkinson and Tyler Higbee saw more of the action, but Ferguson showed flashes. While Parkinson and Higbee combined to average 10.1 yards per catch last season, Ferguson caught 11 passes for 231 yards — 21.0 yards per grab — and three touchdowns. Ferguson may not be ready for fantasy stardom, but with Matthew Stafford throwing his way, he could be a late-round value.

## KYLE WILLIAMS

WR | NEW ENGLAND

A third-round pick out of Washington, Williams caught only 10 passes last season, but three of those receptions went for scores — including a 72-yard touchdown in Week 10 vs. Tampa Bay. Williams is a big-play speedster who averaged 20.9 yards per reception. The receiver-needy Patriots added Romeo Doubs in free agency (and at press time were expected to trade for A.J. Brown), but quarterback Drake Maye prefers throwing the deep ball, and Williams has a chance to be his go-to deep-ball receiver.

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## ELIC AYOMANOR

WR | TENNESSEE

The Titans had a very young group of skill players around rookie QB Cam Ward last season, and the team hopes that they all develop together. Ayomanor, a fourth-round pick out of Stanford, caught 41 passes for 515 yards and four scores in 2025. Ten of his 41 receptions came in the final three games, a sign that he and Ward were developing a rapport. Even with the drafting of Carnell Tate, Ayomanor should at least make a dent.

## BHAYSHUL TUTEN

RB | JACKSONVILLE

Even though Travis Etienne Jr. had a strong bounce-back season for the Jaguars in 2025, they didn't exactly go all out to re-sign him when he became a free agent — partly because they were happy with what they had in Tuten, who rushed for 307 yards and five touchdowns as Etienne's primary backup. Etienne was RB9 in fantasy last season. It appears that Jacksonville is at least willing to give Tuten the opportunity to do something similar.

## TEZ JOHNSON

WR | TAMPA BAY

Just as the departure of Mike Evans will give Emeka Egbuka more action as the new No. 1 receiver with the Bucs, it will also create more opportunity for Johnson in a sleeper role. Johnson, a seventh-round pick last year, only had 28 receptions last season, but five were for touchdowns.

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# SOPHOMORE STINKERS

## TRAVIS HUNTER

WR/CB | JACKSONVILLE

Most fantasy managers were already wary of Hunter last year, fearing that the two-way Heisman Trophy winner might play more cornerback than receiver in the pros. Hunter had only 28 catches for 298 yards and one score when a torn LCL ended his rookie season after seven games. There's already been more talk that Hunter will focus on defense in 2026 — he'll still be in the mix on offense, but not enough to move the needle in fantasy.

## SHEDEUR SANDERS

QB | CLEVELAND

Sanders started the final seven games last season. He had one great game, in Week 14 against Tennessee. In the other six starts, Sanders averaged 165 passing yards, with a total of four TD passes and eight interceptions in those games. Given the Browns' shortage of elite weapons, it's hard to imagine Sanders taking the next step. Plus, he'll be in competition with Deshaun Watson for the starting job.

## ISAAC TESLAA

WR | DETROIT

TeSlaa turned heads with a strong preseason last year and then caught six TD passes as a rookie. Promising, yes, but the Lions' offense is just too deep for TeSlaa to see enough action. With so many stars around him, TeSlaa was seventh on the team in targets last year. It's doubtful he gets many more this season.

## WOODY MARKS

RB | HOUSTON

Marks was a waiver wire darling last year — an unheralded fourth-round pick who took advantage of injuries to become a starting running back for a playoff team. He rushed for 703 yards, but he scored only two touchdowns. And now that the Texans made an offseason trade for veteran RB David Montgomery, Marks' fantasy value is strictly as a late-round handcuff.

## DEVIN NEAL

RB | NEW ORLEANS

Neal was considered a worthy investment in dynasty leagues last year, with the idea that he might eventually take over the No. 1 RB job from Alvin Kamara. But when the Saints signed Travis Etienne Jr. in free agency, Neal quickly became an afterthought.

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# ON THE MEND

BY CRAIG ELLENPORT

It's hard enough to keep track of the injury report during the NFL season. At least you're informed on a week-to-week basis with team designations like "probable" or "doubtful" — or the dreaded "questionable." What are you supposed to do with "questionable?"

But it's the injury uncertainty that comes before your fantasy draft that's the real killer. Not only do you have to worry about training camp injuries, but you've also got to pay very close attention to those players who were injured last season and are just now working their way back.

Several key fantasy players went down months ago and might not be 100% when the 2026 season kicks off. How much time will they miss? And even if they are on the field in Week 1, are they on a snap count?

Here are some key fantasy players you need to keep tabs on after they missed time in 2025:

## ZACH CHARBONNET

### RB | SEAHAWKS

Charbonnet had surgery in February for a torn ACL suffered in the divisional playoff round. While Charbonnet's injury gave Kenneth Walker III the chance to grab the spotlight and become Super Bowl LX MVP, Walker bolted in free agency. Yes, the Seahawks took Notre Dame running back Jadarian Price in the first round of the NFL Draft, but a healthy Charbonnet would at least have had a chance to establish himself as the lead back in Seattle. Alas, he probably won't be ready to go until October or November. If Price establishes himself by then, Charbonnet might again be relegated to valuable handcuff status.

## BO NIX

### QB | BRONCOS

After a solid sophomore season in which he was QB7 in fantasy, Nix suffered a nasty broken ankle in Denver's divisional playoff win against the Buffalo Bills. Nix passed for 3,931 yards and 25 touchdowns last season, adding 356 rushing yards and five rushing scores. He had surgery very quickly after the injury, and he's expected to participate in offseason activities and be full-go in training camp. In his third season under head coach Sean Payton, and with the addition of former Miami Dolphins receiver Jaylen Waddle, a healthy Nix could be ready for a fantasy leap.

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# PATRICK MAHOMES

QB | CHIEFS

The most decorated quarterback of this decade tore his ACL and LCL in a Week 15 loss to the Los Angeles Chargers last season. His offseason rehab has been progressing well, and Mahomes is expected to be ready for Week 1 of the 2026 season — though it will be hard to imagine he'll be 100% by that point. Mahomes had his worst statistical season in 2025, and he will be 31 in September. It's also a safe bet that new running back Kenneth Walker III will see plenty of action early to help Mahomes ease into things. Assuming he gets off to a slow start, that lowers his fantasy value even more.

## ON THE MEND

### OMARION HAMPTON

RB | CHARGERS

Hampton's rookie campaign was hampered by not one, but two ankle injuries. After starting the first five games last season, he was placed on the injured list with his first ankle injury. Coming back slowly late in the season, he started in Week 17 — only to hurt his ankle again and miss the regular-season finale. He played in the Chargers' wild-card loss to the Patriots but had just one carry. Running behind a much-improved offensive line, Hampton will have a chance to break out in 2026.

### MICHAEL PENIX JR.

QB | FALCONS

Penix was not much of a fantasy threat before he got hurt last season, so his recovery from reconstructive left knee surgery might not be so critical for fantasy managers. Still, a young quarterback with so many valuable weapons can't be overlooked. Penix expects to be ready for Week 1. Problem is, will he be close to 100% in training camp, when he'll be competing with Tua Tagovailoa for the starting job? And even when Penix is 100%, it's hard to ignore the fact that this was his third ACL injury (the first two were on his right knee).

### MALIK NABERS

WR | GIANTS

After exploding onto the scene as a rookie in 2024 with 109 catches for 1,204 yards and seven touchdowns, Nabers made it only four weeks into last season before suffering a torn ACL and meniscus in his right knee. Nabers was sharing positive progress reports this spring, but the injury is important to monitor, especially given that he underwent a second surgery for what was termed a "clean up." While he hopes to be ready for the start of the season, there is a chance Nabers could be on the physically unable to perform list, which would require him to miss the first four games of the season.

### BROCK BOWERS

TE | RAIDERS

After his record-setting rookie campaign in 2024, when he caught 112 passes for 1,194 yards and five touchdowns, a left knee injury sidelined Bowers for much of 2025. He started eight games and played parts of four others, catching 64 passes for 680 yards and seven touchdowns. With the PCL injury lingering, Bowers was eventually shut down after Week 16. Chances are, he could have played if the Raiders had anything to play for, which they didn't. He should be full-go for the 2026 season. Bowers was our TE1 overall in fantasy in 2024 with very little stability at quarterback. As long as he's healthy, expect a return to fantasy stardom.

### CAM SKATTEBO

RB | GIANTS

Some Giants fans were a little worried when Skattebo, less than two months removed from ankle surgery, was mixing it up with some WWE wrestlers on "Monday Night Raw" at Madison Square Garden last November. Others loved that the 2025 rookie was just showing his true colors as a fun-loving tough guy. Either way, Skattebo has given assurances that he'll be 100% when training camp begins. After scoring seven total touchdowns in eight games last season, a healthy Skattebo should be more valuable in 2026.

### TUCKER KRAFT

TE | PACKERS

Kraft played only eight games in 2025 — catching 32 passes for 489 yards and six touchdowns — before suffering a torn ACL in his right knee in Week 9. The Packers have struggled in recent years to improve their receiver room, but Kraft had emerged as Jordan Love's favorite target, so this was a big blow for Green Bay. It was tough for fantasy managers as well, since Kraft was having a banner season at the time of his injury. Fortunately for both the Packers and fantasy managers, Kraft is on pace to be fully healthy when the season begins.

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## SAM LaPORTA

**TE | LIONS**

LaPorta proved over his first two NFL seasons that he was a valuable weapon in the Lions' explosive offense. However, a fully herniated disc in his back limited him to nine games last season — and LaPorta noted he was playing in pain when he was on the field, which hampered his production. LaPorta underwent surgery in November and is expected to be ready to go full speed in training camp.

## QUINSHON JUDKINS

**RB | BROWNS**

Judkins started 14 games for the Browns in 2025, and the rookie from Ohio State rushed for 827 yards and seven touchdowns. But he suffered a dislocated ankle and fractured fibula in Week 16 that required surgery. Expected recovery time following the December surgery was four to six months, putting him on schedule to participate once training camp begins. The Browns still have Judkins listed as the starter on their depth chart, and they made no effort to add any running backs via the draft or free agency, so it's clear that the new Cleveland coaching staff expects Judkins to be ready for a full load in 2026.

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## TYREEK HILL

**WR | FREE AGENT**

Hill already has his place in the NFL record books — he's the only player who's posted 1,700 receiving yards in a season twice. But Hill turned 32 this offseason, and he's coming back from a dislocated knee and torn ACL suffered in Week 4 last season — two factors that point in the wrong direction for a big-play receiver like Hill. So it wasn't a shock that the Miami Dolphins released him as part of their rebuilding/salary-cap purge. As of press time, Hill had yet to sign with a new team. Chances are, teams will be waiting until closer to training camp to see how he's progressing. When he does end up signing, it's doubtful he'll be anywhere near the fantasy threat he used to be. But it's still worth monitoring to see where he lands and whether he's worth a mid-round fantasy flyer.

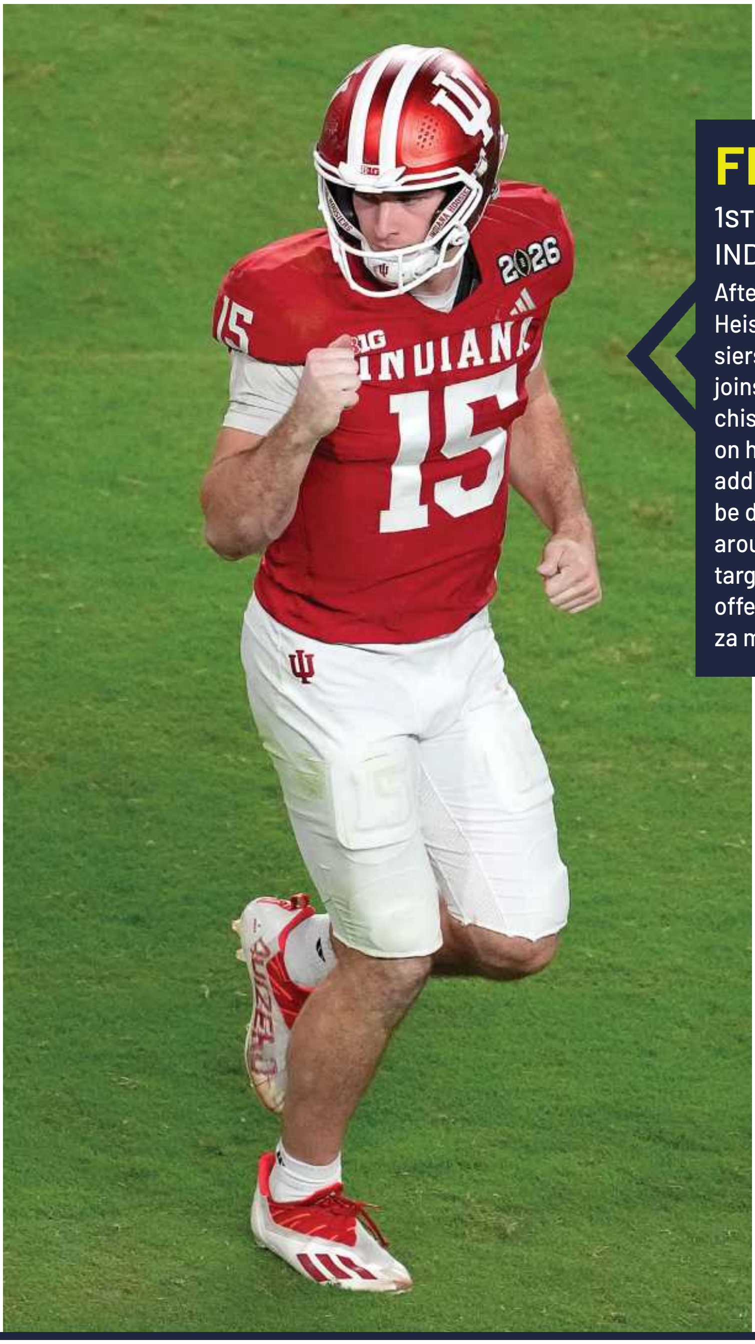
## JONATHON BROOKS

**RB | PANTHERS**

It seems as if Brooks has been "on the mend" for most of his two years as a pro. He was already recovering from an ACL tear when the Panthers made him a second-round pick in 2024. He spent the first 10 weeks of his rookie season rehabbing that injury, and then he tore his ACL again after only nine rushing attempts. Carolina made the decision to keep Brooks on the shelf for the entire 2025 season, but now the Panthers are ready to see what the Texas product can do, and they didn't make an effort to re-sign free agent Rico Dowdle. Chuba Hubbard is still listed as the starting back, but Brooks has been running full speed during the offseason and could be an intriguing mid-round fantasy pick if he has a strong training camp.

# ROOKIE ROUNDUP

BY LUKE EASTERLING



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## QUARTERBACKS

### FERNANDO MENDOZA

1st ROUND, NO. 1 OVERALL
INDIANA | RAIDERS

After an incredible 2025 campaign that included a Heisman Trophy, an undefeated season and the Hoosiers' first national title in program history, Mendoza joins a Raiders team in desperate need of a true franchise passer. His immediate fantasy value will depend on how long they let him sit behind veteran free-agent addition Kirk Cousins, but his long-term success will be dependent on the Raiders' ability to build a winner around him. TE Brock Bowers gives him a clear go-to target, and RB Ashton Jeanty should help balance the offense, but it's likely to take some time before Mendoza makes a big impact as a fantasy starter.

### TY SIMPSON

1st ROUND, NO. 13 OVERALL
ALABAMA | RAMS

The most hotly debated first-round pick in this year's draft, Simpson assumes the role of QB Matthew Stafford's eventual successor. It's anyone's guess when Simpson will see the field as the Rams' starting quarterback, though, given that Stafford is coming off an MVP season. At 38, Stafford is on the year-to-year plan, but the Rams plan to be in Super Bowl contention as long as he's under center, which could leave Simpson holding a clipboard for quite a while. Learning behind a future Hall of Famer and playing in Sean McVay's offense should pay off for Simpson in the long run, but his fantasy value will be nonexistent as long as Stafford wants to keep playing.

### CARSON BECK

3RD ROUND, NO. 65 OVERALL
MIAMI (FLA.) | CARDINALS

A highly experienced starter against top competition, Beck has prototypical size for an NFL pocket passer, and he's played in a ton of big games. Beck lacks the high-end physical tools to give Arizona much more upside than they already had at the position, but if he can impress in training camp and the preseason, the lack of star power at the top of the depth chart gives him a clear opportunity to earn regular-season reps.

### DREW ALLAR

3RD ROUND, NO. 76 OVERALL
PENN STATE | STEELERS

Quarterback prospects from Power 4 programs with Allar's combination of size, arm strength and athleticism don't typically last until the third round, but consistency eluded him throughout his career with the Nittany Lions. That college tenure came to an early and disappointing end due to a leg injury last season, but that didn't stop the Steelers from investing a Day 2 pick into the raw talent and upside that Allar brings to the table. With QB Aaron Rodgers' decision to return for another year, Allar will have the opportunity to learn behind a future Hall of Famer while getting back to full strength.

### CADE KLUBNIK

4TH ROUND, NO. 110 OVERALL
CLEMSON | JETS

A highly touted recruit coming out of high school, Klubnik had a roller-coaster career at Clemson. He struggled out of the gate, showed NFL potential in his second season as a starter and then regressed in 2025 to the point where he went from possible first-round prospect to Day 3 selection. He'll have an opportunity to sit behind an experienced veteran in QB Geno Smith, which should benefit his long-term development. The Jets have invested heavily in offensive weapons, which could give Klubnik a ton of help if he ever earns the opportunity to start in New York.

## RUNNING BACKS

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### JEREMIYAH LOVE

1ST ROUND, NO. 3 OVERALL
NOTRE DAME | CARDINALS

Arguably the best overall prospect in this year's NFL Draft, Love is a three-down weapon who can make big plays on the ground and through the air. He joins an already cluttered backfield that features longtime veteran starter James Conner, free-agent addition Tyler Allgeier and 2024 third-round pick Trey Benson. Despite the presence of all that depth and experience on the roster, the Cards wouldn't have spent a top-three pick on Love if they didn't plan on making him the focal point of their offense as soon as possible. His dynamic talent and versatile skill set should make an immediate impact.

### JADARIAN PRICE

1ST ROUND, NO. 32 OVERALL
NOTRE DAME | SEAHAWKS

Love's backup in South Bend, Price is so talented that he warranted a first-round pick in his own right, despite never being the starter for the Fighting Irish. He's an explosive runner with home-run potential on every carry, and he puts that big-play ability to good use as a pass-catcher out of the backfield. In Seattle, he lands in an ideal scenario following the offseason departure of Super Bowl MVP Kenneth Walker III. With Seahawks backup Zach Charbonnet working his way back from a late-season torn ACL that sidelined him during Seattle's title run, Price is in line for a massive workload right away, and he's talented enough to take full advantage with big production.

## RUNNING BACKS

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### KAELON BLACK

3RD ROUND, NO. 90 OVERALL
INDIANA | 49ERS

A surprise pick as the third running back off the board in this year's draft, Black is coming off an impressive 2025 campaign as a key contributor to the Hoosiers' national title run. Along with running mate Roman Hemby, Black brought consistency and a well-rounded skill set to the Indiana backfield, with a strong combination of power, quickness, balance, vision and patience that made him a productive and reliable presence. In making him a Day 2 pick, the 49ers clearly value his potential as a backup candidate to Christian McCaffrey, who has an injury history and could be at risk again given his age and heavy usage in recent years.

### JONAH COLEMAN

4TH ROUND, NO. 108 OVERALL
WASHINGTON | BRONCOS

Coleman is a tough, powerful runner with a stout frame who excels between the tackles. It won't be surprising if Coleman gets some early-down work as a rookie, especially in short-yardage and goal-line situations, where he can use his size and physicality to churn out the tough yards, move the chains and put the ball in the end zone.

### MIKE WASHINGTON JR.

4TH ROUND, NO. 122 OVERALL
ARKANSAS | RAIDERS

A big, explosive runner with elite speed and athleticism for his size, Washington lit up the NFL Scouting Combine with an incredible performance. Those traits showed up on his college film, too, where he consistently picked up big chunks of yardage. He's a capable receiver, which gives him potential value on all three downs. The only problem? He's now stuck behind Ashton Jeanty.

### EMMETT JOHNSON

5TH ROUND, NO. 161 OVERALL
NEBRASKA | CHIEFS

After patiently waiting for his chance to shine for the Cornhuskers, Johnson delivered with big numbers last season, showing off a well-rounded skill set that made him one of the top running back prospects in this year's class. Johnson has made a career of silencing his doubters already (only one Power 4 offer coming out of high school), so don't be surprised if he ends up carving out a productive role early in his career.

### NICHOLAS SINGLETON

5TH ROUND, NO. 165 OVERALL
PENN STATE | TITANS

A broken foot suffered during Senior Bowl practices likely contributed to Singleton's fall to the fifth round, but when healthy, he possesses an impressive blend of power and explosiveness. He'll have two established veterans in front of him in Tony Pollard and Tyjae Spears, but both have dealt with injuries throughout their respective NFL careers, so Singleton could be in line for some early opportunities.

### ADAM RANDALL

5TH ROUND, NO. 174 OVERALL
CLEMSON | RAVENS

A converted wide receiver, Randall brings a rare blend of size and athleticism to a backfield that knows what that looks like in Derrick Henry. Randall is still learning the nuances of the position, but the opportunity to sit behind a legend should only help his chances of maximizing his tools. Justice Hill will likely still take some of the passing-down snaps, but Randall's size and skill set make him an ideal relief candidate when Henry needs a breather.

### KAYTRON ALLEN

6TH ROUND, NO. 187 OVERALL
PENN STATE | COMMANDERS

Allen was highly productive in college despite splitting touches with Nicholas Singleton. A stout runner who can make an impact on all three downs, Allen is at his best running through contact between the tackles. His prowess as a pass-blocker should also be valuable. He's not the fastest or most explosive back, but there's a path to meaningful snaps.

### DEMOND CLAIBORNE

6TH ROUND, NO. 198 OVERALL
WAKE FOREST | VIKINGS

An undersized lightning bolt of a runner, Claiborne brings big-play ability to the Minnesota backfield both on the ground and through the air. The Vikings have two proven veterans in front of him on the depth chart (Aaron Jones Sr., Jordan Mason), but Claiborne's explosiveness and versatility could bring a valuable spark to the offense in a situational role.

# WIDE RECEIVERS

ADAM CAIRNS/COLUMBUS DISPATCH

## CARNELL TATE

**1ST ROUND, NO. 4 OVERALL**
**OHIO STATE | TITANS**

The Buckeyes have been a wide receiver factory in recent years, and Tate is the latest high-end pass-catcher to go from Columbus to the first round. He's a complete player who can attack opposing defenses at every level of the field, with the speed, route-running skills and strong hands to win in multiple ways. In Tennessee, he joins a receiver room that already has proven targets (Calvin Ridley, Wan'Dale Robinson) and promising youth (Elic Ayomanor, Chimere Dike), but you don't take a receiver in the top five unless you're planning to feed him the ball early and often. Tate should quickly develop into Cam Ward's go-to target for years to come.

## JORDYN TYSON

1ST ROUND, NO. 8 OVERALL
ARIZONA STATE | SAINTS

Another well-rounded receiver who came off the board in the top 10, Tyson has impressive route-running chops that enable him to create consistent separation all over the field, and he's a smooth mover with the ball in his hands after the catch. A nagging hamstring injury limited him last season, and durability concerns will continue to be a reality for him until he proves them unfounded, but if he stays healthy, Tyson has the skills to challenge Chris Olave for the WR1 role.

## MAKAI LEMON

1ST ROUND, NO. 20 OVERALL
USC | EAGLES

The Eagles made a smart move to trade up a few spots and land Lemon when he tumbled in their direction. Undersized but physical, Lemon plays the game with a ton of toughness that makes him an effective target on 50-50 balls despite his shorter frame, as well as a challenge to bring down after the catch. He's an explosive downfield threat who can create tons of big plays, which should be extremely valuable to an Eagles offense that struggled to manufacture enough of them last year and might need even more help with the expected trade of A.J. Brown this offseason.

## KC CONCEPCION

1ST ROUND, NO. 24 OVERALL
TEXAS A&M | BROWNS

Another undersized but explosive playmaker, Concepcion can challenge defenses with his straight-line speed and lateral quickness, both down the field and after the catch. He'll immediately give the Browns a dangerous big-play threat, but he'll have to prove that the frustrating drops on his college tape are a thing of the past. He's exactly the kind of weapon Cleveland's passing game needs to take things to the next level.

## OMAR COOPER JR.

1ST ROUND, NO. 30 OVERALL
INDIANA | JETS

A versatile receiver with a well-rounded skill set who can line up at multiple spots, Cooper was a clutch performer for the Hoosiers last season, making some of his biggest plays in key moments that helped propel his team to an undefeated season and a national title. His strong hands, competitive playing style and consistent motor/toughness make him the ideal WR2 for any offense, and he's an asset as a downfield blocker in the run game. Garrett Wilson will remain the primary target for the Jets' passing game, but Cooper has all the tools and the polish to make an instant impact as a full-time starter.

## DE'ZHAUN STRIBLING

2ND ROUND, NO. 33 OVERALL
OLE MISS | 49ERS

A surprise pick at the top of the second round, Stribling was expected to come off the board in the middle rounds throughout most of the predraft process, but he clearly made a strong impression on the decision-makers in San Francisco. It's easy to see why, as he brings an impressive blend of size, speed and physicality to the table, with the versatility to line up at any of the receiver spots. His athleticism gives him a ton of upside, and his alignment versatility should enable him to get on the field early, despite a loaded depth chart that grew stronger by offseason additions such as Mike Evans and Christian Kirk.

# WIDE RECEIVERS

## DENZEL BOSTON

2ND ROUND, NO. 39 OVERALL
WASHINGTON | BROWNS

The perfect complement to Browns first-round selection KC Concepcion, Boston brings a valuable above-the-rim presence to Cleveland's passing game. He's a big, physical target who excels in contested-catch situations, but he doesn't get enough credit for his athleticism and after-the-catch ability for a bigger receiver (there's a reason the Huskies used him on punt returns). He should immediately be a dangerous red-zone weapon for the Browns, with the upside to eventually develop into the team's No. 1 target due to his frame and well-rounded skill set.

## GERMIE BERNARD

2ND ROUND, NO. 47 OVERALL
ALABAMA | STEELERS

The Steelers got exactly what they wanted out of the DK Metcalf trade last year, and dealing for Michael Pittman Jr. gives their passing game another proven target with size and physicality. That makes Bernard the perfect addition as the WR3, with his combination of versatility, intelligence and reliability. He's a dynamic playmaker who can line up anywhere (including the backfield), and he's a savvy route-runner who knows how to find soft spots in zone coverage and turn quick catches into big gains. He should quickly carve out a significant role in this offense, with plenty of manufactured touches included.

## ANTONIO WILLIAMS

3RD ROUND, NO. 71 OVERALL
CLEMSON | COMMANDERS

Williams brings impressive route-running ability and a knack for creating consistent separation that could make him a Day 2 bargain. Washington is still searching for a legitimate No. 2 target to take some attention away from Terry McLaurin, and despite his lack of ideal size, Williams has the talent to make a strong case for that role early on. While opposing defenses are focused on slowing down McLaurin, Williams should benefit from plenty of 1-on-1 opportunities downfield.

## MALACHI FIELDS

3RD ROUND, NO. 74 OVERALL
NOTRE DAME | GIANTS

Malik Nabers is clearly one of the league's most dangerous pass-catchers when healthy, but he's coming off a season-ending torn ACL and meniscus injury, and the Giants lost Wan'Dale Robinson in free agency. Fields is a massive, physical target with the frame and toughness to out-muscle smaller defensive backs at the catch point, making him the ideal complement to Nabers' downfield and after-the-catch explosiveness. He should quickly establish himself as a valuable red-zone weapon for a young and promising quarterback in Jaxson Dart.

## CALEB DOUGLAS

3RD ROUND, NO. 75 OVERALL
TEXAS TECH | DOLPHINS

Douglas came off the board earlier than many expected, but it's hard to argue with the physical traits and upside. He's a big, athletic pass-catcher who impressed throughout the predraft process with stellar workout numbers, showing off impressive speed and movement skills for a receiver his size. In Miami, he'll have a chance to compete for a ton of action right away as the Dolphins kick off a massive rebuild. Douglas clearly has the physical tools to make an impact, and he's in the perfect situation to get plenty of opportunities to shine.

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## ZACHARIAH BRANCH

3RD ROUND, NO. 79 OVERALL
GEORGIA | FALCONS

Branch makes up for his smaller frame with elite speed and quickness, with the ability to take any touch to the house. The Falcons have a clear-cut No. 1 target in Drake London, but there's room in this offense for a dangerous weapon like Branch. The Falcons would be wise to unlock his potential by expanding his route tree while still finding easy ways of getting the ball in his hands quickly.

## JA'KOBI LANE

3RD ROUND, NO. 80 OVERALL
USC | RAVENS

Baltimore's passing game needed a big, imposing target to pair with Zay Flowers, and that's exactly what they've added with Lane. A towering pass-catcher with reliable hands, Lane knows how to maximize his frame and win at the catch point. He should make Lamar Jackson's life much easier, particularly in key third-down situations and when the Ravens get close to the end zone.

## CHRIS BRAZZELL II

3RD ROUND, NO. 83 OVERALL
TENNESSEE | PANTHERS

If you're looking for a rare combination of size and speed, Brazzell checks both boxes. Throw in his length and leaping ability, and you've got a recipe for a dynamic playmaker with unlimited potential. He still needs a ton of refinement as a route-runner, but Brazzell brings a skill set that's hard to find.

## TED HURST

3RD ROUND, NO. 84 OVERALL
GEORGIA STATE | BUCCANEERS

Hurst dominated his Sun Belt competition after passing up lucrative opportunities to play for Power 4 programs. For the Bucs, he'll bring some much-needed size and playmaking ability following the departure of future Hall of Famer Mike Evans. Hurst will need some route-running refinement to fill out his skill set, but the potential is through the roof.

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# TIGHT ENDS

## KENYON SADIQ

1ST ROUND, NO. 16 OVERALL
OREGON | JETS

A dynamic playmaker with an impressive blend of athleticism and versatility, Sadiq can create serious matchups for opposing defenses with his skill set. It might be challenging for Sadiq to get a ton of volume right away in an offense that features Garrett Wilson and fellow first-round rookie Omar Cooper Jr., and the Jets just spent a second-round pick last year on another tight end in Mason Taylor. That said, Sadiq's too talented not to make an impact, and the Jets wouldn't have drafted him so early if they didn't plan to throw him the ball early and often. The production might be streaky, but Sadiq will be a constant big-play threat.

## ELI STOWERS

2ND ROUND, NO. 54 OVERALL
VANDERBILT | EAGLES

Stowers is a wide receiver in a tight end's body, with the ability to use his size and athleticism to create mismatches against smaller defensive backs and slower linebackers. Dallas Goedert will remain Philly's primary weapon at the position in 2026, but the future is bright for Stowers if he can polish the rough edges in his game.

## NATE BOERKIRCHER

2ND ROUND, NO. 56 OVERALL
TEXAS A&M | JAGUARS

The Jags valued Boerkircher's blocking ability enough to spend their highest pick on him (no first-round pick due to last year's draft-day trade for Travis Hunter). He should make an immediate impact in the multiple-TE sets that have quickly become the most popular trend among modern NFL offenses, but he caught just 38 total passes in his five-year college career. His fantasy value is limited, unless he proves he's got the tools to be far more productive as a receiver in the pros than he was in college.

## MARLIN KLEIN

2nd ROUND, NO. 59 OVERALL
MICHIGAN | TEXANS

Much like Boerkircher, Klein was a surprise second-round pick with a sparse track record of providing pass-catching production. He's a big target who isn't afraid of contact and traffic, but he still needs a ton of development in terms of his route-running and blocking technique. It's hard to imagine Klein making a significant fantasy impact anytime soon.

## MAX KLARE

2ND ROUND, NO. 61 OVERALL
OHIO STATE | RAMS

Klare is a solid all-around athlete who can stress smaller/slower defenders down the field, but he doesn't have the most natural hands as a receiver, and he lacks the power and technique to be a consistent asset as a blocker just yet. He's got some athletic upside, but the Rams just spent a second-round pick on Terrance Ferguson last year, and they still have multiple veterans ahead of him on the depth chart (Colby Parkinson, Tyler Higbee).

# FAMILIAR FACES new PLaces

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## QUARTERBACKS

### KYLER MURRAY

MINNESOTA

After seven seasons in Arizona, Murray is off to Minnesota. The No. 1 overall pick in the 2019 NFL Draft will battle 2024 first-rounder J.J. McCarthy for the starting job in head coach Kevin O'Connell's high-upside offense. The soon-to-be 29-year-old Murray signed a one-year, "prove-it" deal in hopes of recapturing the form that saw him produce four top-12 QB seasons. Much of that was predicated on mobility, though, as Murray has never thrown for 30 touchdowns or 4,000 yards in a single season.

**Impact:** There's a world where Murray returns to low-end QB1 production. Justin Jefferson, Jordan Addison, Jauan Jennings and T.J. Hockenson are a fearsome pass-catching quartet, and KOC is just two years removed from Sam Darnold's renaissance. Murray could enjoy a similar revival. Consider him a mid-range QB2.

### MALIK WILLIS

MIAMI

Despite only six starts to his name, Willis got starter money in free agency based on the potential he flashed the past few years in Green Bay. The 2022 third-round pick impressed in relief of Jordan Love and still possesses the rare athleticism at his position that made him an enticing prospect four years ago. There's a lot of projection in assuming Willis will perform at the same level over a full season, especially when surrounded by a much weaker supporting cast. But the Dolphins are betting that improved accuracy combined with his rare rushing ability will be well worth their investment.

**Impact:** There's a wide range of outcomes on the table for Willis. He could pick up where he left off in Green Bay, turning in fringe QB1 numbers thanks to the high floor his mobility provides. Alternatively, his lack of starting experience could prove to be an issue without the same infrastructure in place around him, relegating him to weekly flex contention. It's a gamble, but one that could pay dividends.

## GENO SMITH

N.Y. JETS

Smith's odyssey back to the Meadowlands is complete. A second-round pick by New York back in 2013, he returns nine years after he last played for the Jets. Smith has lived many lives since then, largely as a backup until his Comeback Player of the Year campaign in 2022 with the Seahawks. He proved his place as a proficient passer, enough for the Raiders to take a flier on him, but that experiment didn't work out for either party. Smith ranks fifth in passing yards since 2022 with a QB5 finish on his résumé, but he also leads the NFL in interceptions during that stretch.

**Impact:** Smith is a one-year stopgap for the Jets, who added new weapons Kenyon Sadiq and Omar Cooper Jr. in the draft to join Garrett Wilson and Breece Hall. Smith's struggles in 2025 don't inspire much confidence for his upside, but he could be worth a spot start.

## TUA TAGOVAILOA

FALCONS

Miami cut Tagovailoa loose amid its roster rebuild. While his injury concerns are apparent, he also landed on a team with an incumbent starter in Michael Penix Jr., who hardly has a clean bill of health. Tagovailoa may be the Week 1 starter in Atlanta while Penix is on the mend. Still, his path to long-term playing time is clouded. Tagovailoa has one top-12 season under his belt in 2023, when he led the league in passing, but interceptions have also been an issue since then.

**Impact:** Tagovailoa is, at best, a low-end streaming candidate if and when Penix is sidelined. Having weapons like Drake London, Bijan Robinson and Kyle Pitts Sr. is intriguing, but don't go out of your way to secure the 2020 first-rounder, who was cut after a career-worst season.

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# RUNNING BACKS

## ↑ KENNETH WALKER III

CHIEFS

It's not often you see the Super Bowl MVP leave in free agency. But Walker indeed left Seattle for Kansas City after an incredible playoff run. Availability is always a question with Walker, though he's coming off the healthiest season of his career and his first 1,000-yard campaign since he was a rookie. The upside is that the competition for backfield touches is negligible after he split work the past two seasons.

**Impact:** Walker profiles as a high-end RB2 whose value could quickly increase if touchdowns finally materialize and he assumes a larger role in the passing game. Kansas City hasn't had a 1,000-yard rusher since Patrick Mahomes took over the starting quarterback job in 2018.

## TRAVIS ETIENNE JR.

SAINTS

On the heels of the second-best season of his career, Etienne got paid. New Orleans inked Etienne to a four-year deal, ending Etienne's eight-year run as quarterback Trevor Lawrence's teammate, dating back to their Clemson days. At 27, Etienne already has three 1,000-yard seasons to his name. He's also been active for all but two games since he missed his entire rookie year. With Alvin Kamara now 30 and coming off his least productive campaign, Etienne slots in as the lead back in an ascending offense alongside quarterback Tyler Shough.

**Impact:** Etienne has two top-12 finishes under his belt, but the best bet for his value in 2026 is as a solid RB2. He's never rushed for more than 1,125 yards in a season, and Kamara may still cut into his third-down work, which makes him somewhat touchdown-dependent. Still, Etienne's volume will be more than enough to keep fantasy managers afloat week-to-week.

# FAMILIAR FACES NEW PLACES

## RICO DOWDLE
STEELERS

Dowdle is quietly one of nine running backs to run for 1,000-plus yards in both of the past two seasons. He enjoyed the most productive year of his career in Carolina, including an incredible stretch in which he set new rushing highs in back-to-back weeks. Dowdle's production tailed off down the stretch, though, as he split more of the workload with Chuba Hubbard. That might be a preview of his role in Pittsburgh, where Jaylen Warren is well-established.

**Impact:** Dowdle's landing spot could cap his output, especially given Warren's proven pass-catching prowess. He's reunited with Mike McCarthy, his head coach in Dallas when he posted a career-best 1,079 rushing yards (2024). Dowdle also has the raw rushing ability and touchdown upside to offer standalone value as a high-upside RB3.

## ISIAH PACHECO
LIONS

Pacheco's production has tailed off each of the past two seasons since his 2023 peak as a top-20 back. Losing work to Kareem Hunt in Kansas City does not bode well for his potential to perform alongside Jahmyr Gibbs in Detroit. However, that role proved fruitful for David Montgomery the past three seasons. Pacheco's touchdown output should see an uptick in the Lions' high-flying offense.

**Impact:** Pacheco is little more than an intriguing handcuff to Gibbs, who could be the 1.01 in many drafts. Pacheco has missed 17 games over the past three seasons and averaged fewer than 4.0 yards per carry over the past two.

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## ↑ TYLER ALLGEIER
CARDINALS

Allgeier went from fighting for touches with one highly drafted running back to fighting for touches with another. For years, he was a valuable handcuff with some standalone value in Atlanta alongside Bijan Robinson. Allgeier looked like he was in line for a larger workload in Arizona until the Cardinals drafted Jeremiyah Love with the third overall pick. Though Allgeier ran for a career-high eight touchdowns last season, he also set a new career-low for rushing yardage and doesn't add much value as a receiver.

**Impact:** Allgeier's fantasy prospects are not promising in Arizona. He offers upside as a handcuff for Love, but there won't be nearly as many goal-line opportunities to go around. Consider Allgeier an RB4.

## RACHAAD WHITE
COMMANDERS

White appears to be undervalued heading into 2026. His pass-catching is a real asset that will make him stand out in the backfield alongside 2025 fantasy darling Jacorey Croskey-Merritt and Jerome Ford. Only Christian McCaffrey and Alvin Kamara have more receptions among running backs since White entered the league in 2022. White has never finished worse than an RB3 despite marginal touchdown output.

**Impact:** Consider White a low-end RB3 given the uncertainty of the pecking order in Washington. White's passing-game involvement gives him a high floor, and he's demonstrated a high ceiling. He's just two years removed from a top-five season at the position, and there's a path for him to take over as the lead back the way his rushing efficiency has improved.

## DAVID MONTGOMERY
### TEXANS

A model of efficiency, Montgomery continued to rack up big totals despite smaller workloads each season. He lands in Houston to fill an area of need after the Texans pieced together a backfield of rookie Woody Marks and veteran Nick Chubb last season. Montgomery lands in a worse offense where the line is a concern, but he has a path to volume that he hasn't seen since he was in Chicago. Montgomery quietly has the eighth-most rushing touchdowns in the NFL since 2023, and that was while splitting work with Jahmyr Gibbs.

**Impact:** Montgomery could turn out to be a screaming value if this works out. There are questions about quarterback C.J. Stroud's ability to return to his rookie year form — and therefore the viability of the offense — but Montgomery's role is safe. Consider him a low-end RB2 with ample room for upside.

## KENNETH GAINWELL
### BUCCANEERS

Gainwell's breakout in Pittsburgh earned him a payday, but it didn't guarantee him a starting job. In Tampa Bay, he'll have to compete for touches with Bucky Irving, who is coming off a disappointing sophomore season. Gainwell made his hay with the Steelers as a dump-off option for quarterback Aaron Rodgers, finishing with the fourth-most catches among running backs a season ago. Baker Mayfield is less inclined to involve his running backs to that degree.

**Impact:** Don't expect Gainwell to repeat the top-20 campaign he assembled in 2025. The good news is you won't have to spend up in drafts to get him. Gainwell slots in as a mid-tier RB3 with the opportunity for spike weeks.

## WIDE RECEIVERS

## ↓ DJ MOORE
### BILLS

That Buffalo sent real draft capital to Chicago to acquire Moore is reason enough to get excited about his landing spot. Josh Allen will be the best quarterback he's played with, and he'll face much less target competition with the Bills than he did with the Bears. Moore is coming off the least productive season of his career, but the anticipated uptick in targets — and touchdowns — is reason enough to be bullish on a bounce-back.

**Impact:** Moore's last season in Chicago might have scared off some fantasy managers, but don't bet against a bounce-back. The 29-year-old has consistently performed at a WR2 level, and he'll have every opportunity to return to that level — or better — in one of the highest-scoring offenses in the NFL.

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# FAMILIAR FACES NEW PLACES

## ROMEO DOUBS

**PATRIOTS**

Doubs is an intriguing talent walking into a great situation. He'll be catching passes from MVP runner-up Drake Maye, one of the best downfield passers in the league. Doubs will be Maye's first or second target after spending several seasons in a crowded Green Bay receiver room. Doubs' touchdown production is impressive based on his limited volume, which should only increase.

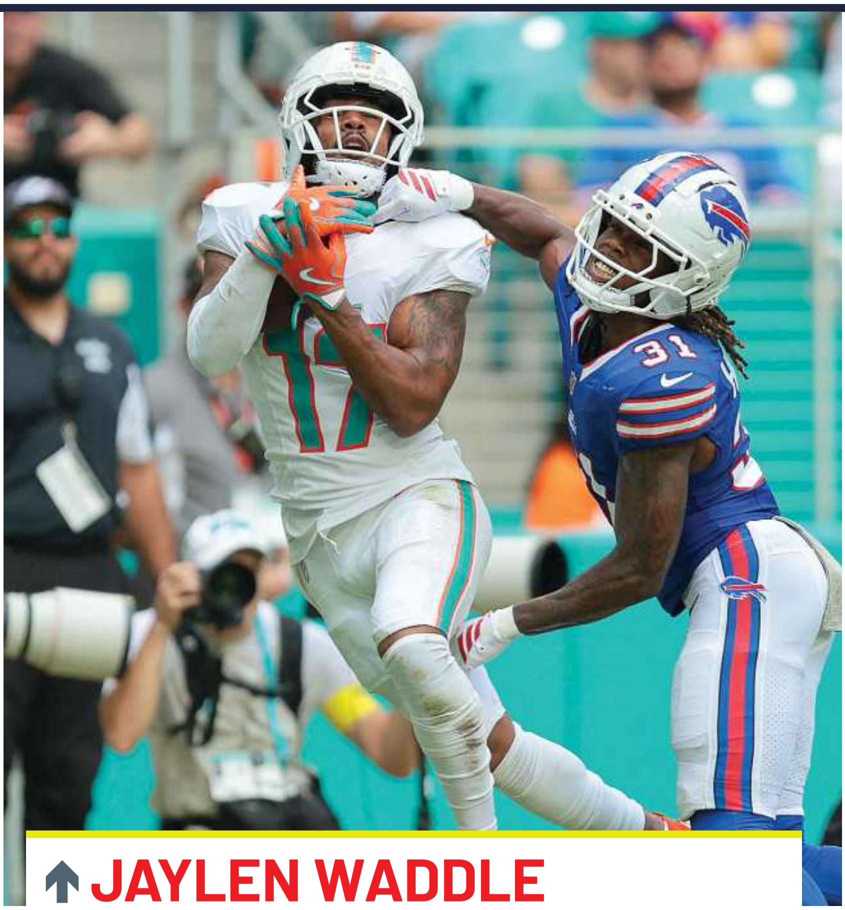
**Impact:** Doubs has never finished better than WR36, so expectations should be tempered. But he's already being drafted at a steep discount based on the threat of Brown's arrival in New England. He's well worth a flier who could emerge as a reliable flex option.

## MICHAEL PITTMAN JR.

**STEELERS**

Pittman is a natural complement to DK Metcalf after playing alongside another field-stretcher in Alec Pierce for the past few seasons. And even as Pittman posted his lowest yardage total since his rookie season, a career-high seven touchdowns helped sustain top-24 production at the position.

**Impact:** There are a lot of vacated targets to go around in the Steel City. Pittman is a viable candidate to take over many of those available opportunities in one of the pass-happiest offenses in the NFL. Pittman might not crack 1,000 yards, but he has the potential volume and touchdown output to shatter expectations based on his current ADP as a WR4.



## ↑ JAYLEN WADDLE

**BRONCOS**

Waddle's stock is on the rise after an offseason trade from Miami to the Mile High City. He'll face stiffer competition for targets in the Broncos' offense between Courtland Sutton and Troy Franklin, a college teammate of quarterback Bo Nix. However, a healthier offense overall should spur a return to more consistent, WR2-level production after a few down years with the Dolphins.

**Impact:** There might be an adjustment period for Waddle, who's largely played with the same quarterback for the better part of the past decade. But if he can match Sutton's target share while occupying a different area of the field, fantasy managers should be pleased with his production. The real question is touchdown output, as Waddle has 12 scores in the past three seasons after finding the end zone 14 times in his first two.

## WAN'DALE ROBINSON

**TITANS**

The 5-foot-8 Robinson made the most of his 140 targets last season with the New York Giants, cracking 1,000 yards for the first time and earning a hefty payday from Tennessee. That move had the potential for him to stay in the WR2-3 range as 2025 No. 1 overall pick Cam Ward's top target until the Titans drafted Carnell Tate fourth overall, further crowding the receiver room. There's room for touchdown progression for Robinson, who has just nine receiving scores across four seasons.

**Impact:** Robinson has gotten better with each passing year, and the contract he received shows there is real belief in his potential. But he would be hard-pressed to return to his 2025 production alongside Tate in a crowded and young wide receiver room. Robinson can maintain value as a WR3 or flex option if he maintains high volume with Ward as his passer.

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### MIKE EVANS

49ERS

Turning 33 in August and coming off an injury-riddled season, Evans might struggle to reach 1,000 receiving yards and corral double-digit touchdowns like he's done so many times before. Still, San Francisco is a good landing spot for one of the best red-zone targets in the league. Ricky Pearsall, a 2024 first-round pick, can be supplanted in the pecking order, and reliable tight end George Kittle is coming off an Achilles tear. Evans could become quarterback Brock Purdy's top target in a Kyle Shanahan-coached offense.

**Impact:** Only Davante Adams has more receiving touchdowns than Evans since 2020. And Adams' move to the Rams last season might be the model for Evans to retain fantasy relevance. Even if Evans' volume dips, his affinity for the end zone could anchor him as a top-24 wide receiver with his signature spike weeks.

## TIGHT ENDS

### ISAIAH LIKELY

GIANTS

With no Mark Andrews to compete for targets, will Likely finally realize his potential in New York? There's still some competition at tight end after Theo Johnson enjoyed a strong second season. Wide receiver Malik Nabers, who is returning from a knee injury, is also a year removed from finishing second in the NFL in targets. But Likely's size and athleticism could help him emerge as a top-12 tight end for the first time in a larger role in the offense.

**Impact:** While Likely clearly has TE1 upside, it's worth noting that he has yet to hit 50 receptions or 500 yards in a single season. There's a lot of projection involved in his jump to the Giants, but following head coach John Harbaugh in free agency and earning a hefty payday on the open market back up the belief that it could be time for that long-awaited breakout.

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### CHIG OKONKWO

COMMANDERS

Okonkwo quietly led the Tennessee Titans in receiving yards last season, the most productive of his career. Touchdown production has yet to materialize for one of the most explosive players at the position. But considering that there's no clear No. 2 option for Jayden Daniels after Terry McLaurin, Okonkwo could see the necessary uptick in targets to take his game to the next level.

**Impact:** Okonkwo has consistently performed as a TE2 throughout his career. That should be the expectation as he makes the move to Washington, though he offers matchup-dependent upside as a streaming or depth option. With Daniels back and healthy, it's also worth remembering he supported a top-10 tight end campaign from Zach Ertz two seasons ago.

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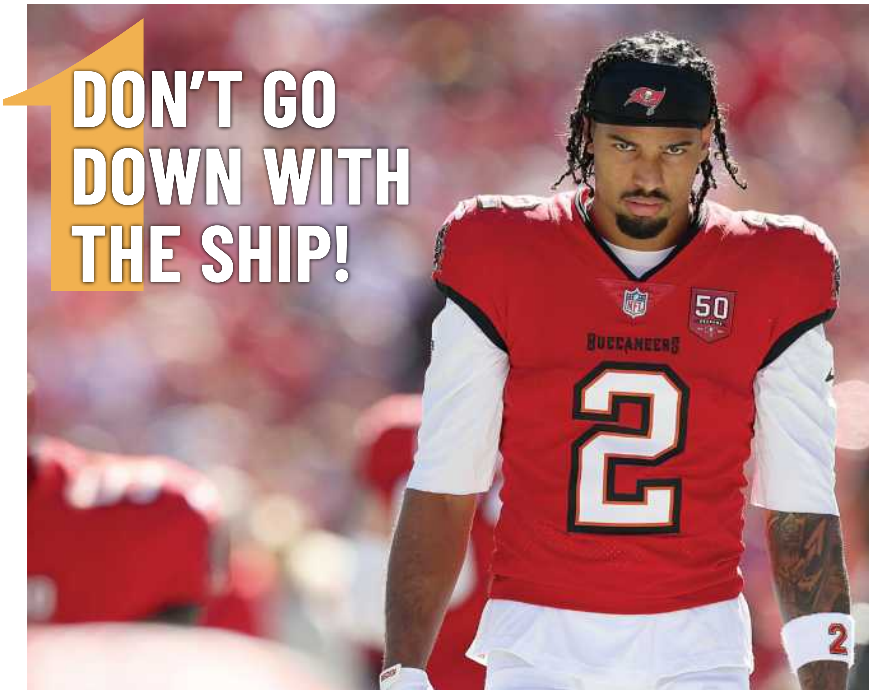
## 1 DON'T GO DOWN WITH THE SHIP!



**AS OF WEEK 10 OF THE 2025 NFL** season, Emeka Egbuka had been a huge steal for fantasy managers. He had six touchdowns, 40 catches and 677 receiving yards at that point. He was on pace for one of the better rookie wideout seasons of our lifetime. But, quietly, quarterback Baker Mayfield had sprung a leak. Mayfield's injury ledger grew longer, and after the season we heard plenty of people on his team and in the media proffer the idea that he may have been playing through more than was reported. Over his last eight games, Mayfield averaged 187 passing yards and 1.3 touchdown passes per game. Egbuka cracked 42 yards once in that span, and even in a high-volume role for most of November, he was a fantasy dud.

Forced to turn to quarterback Shedeur Sanders in Week 11, the Browns offense performed about as well as you'd expect from a team starting a rookie fifth-round pick. From Week 11 to Week 16 — at which point he was lost for the season — running back and fellow rookie Quinshon Judkins didn't crack 100 rushing yards in any game and went over 60 yards on the ground just once. He scored a total of two touchdowns over that span.

Certainly, you were a seer if you started fading these players at the start of Week 11. But to start them in Week 14, Week 15, Week 16 — after we had seen real and conclusive proof that things had changed, was folly.

Fantasy football is too week-to-week not to let the recent past steer some of your decision-making. Once the last three games begin looking like this, and the Vegas implied point total looks like that ... at some point, it is your fault that you're still starting the player.

And yes, this is about Lamar Jackson, too. I'm not worried about the form of a player in a one-game sample, but once we get three or four games of things falling apart, we need to understand that we may simply be getting what is there, and that it's not what we'd hoped for. End-of-season Jonathan Taylor is another example where it clearly wasn't the same situation anymore. One thing that's both great and annoying about fantasy football is that the landscape is always shifting, at least a little bit.

EMEKA EGBUKA (TOP) AND QUINSHON JUDKINS

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## 2

### TO BORROW A PHRASE FROM WAYNE GRETZKY, WE SKATE TO WHERE THE PUCK IS GOING EVEN IF WE'RE GOING TO GET HIT

**IT WAS VERY TRENDY TO BAD-MOUTH Christian McCaffrey** for missing most of the 2024 season, and that sort of groupthink led many to think of him as a late-first-round pick in 2025. The thing is, McCaffrey was always going to have a huge workload when healthy — you know, the kind of ceiling that helps you win fantasy football games. And with wide receiver Brandon Aiyuk injured and tight end George Kittle injury-prone in his own right, the situation clearly called out for plenty of McCaffrey involvement in the passing game. For a running back who breaks the model in PPR terms whenever he's healthy, the lack of target competition also mattered.

A lot of fantasy analysts I've admired use the Gretzky term, "We skate to where the puck is going, not where it's been." Putting McCaffrey in the late first-round conversation was a trade-off between the actual numbers and the reputation for missing games he's had. But what I prefer instead as a term is "we skate to where the puck is going even if we're going to get hit." Let's say McCaffrey had a hamstring strain that cost him a month last year — that's hardly inconceivable. If he still performed as he did last year in the rest of those games, it's hard to create a scenario where you're not happy to have the player.

I'm not interested in taking risks for the sake of risks. But I do think any good fantasy team has a well-managed portfolio of risk. There are going to be rookie wideouts who perform and others who don't. There are going to be rookie running backs who need a little time on the bench before they can make inroads towards the veteran's role. And, yes, you're going to have to rely on some players who sometimes get hurt more than you'd like.

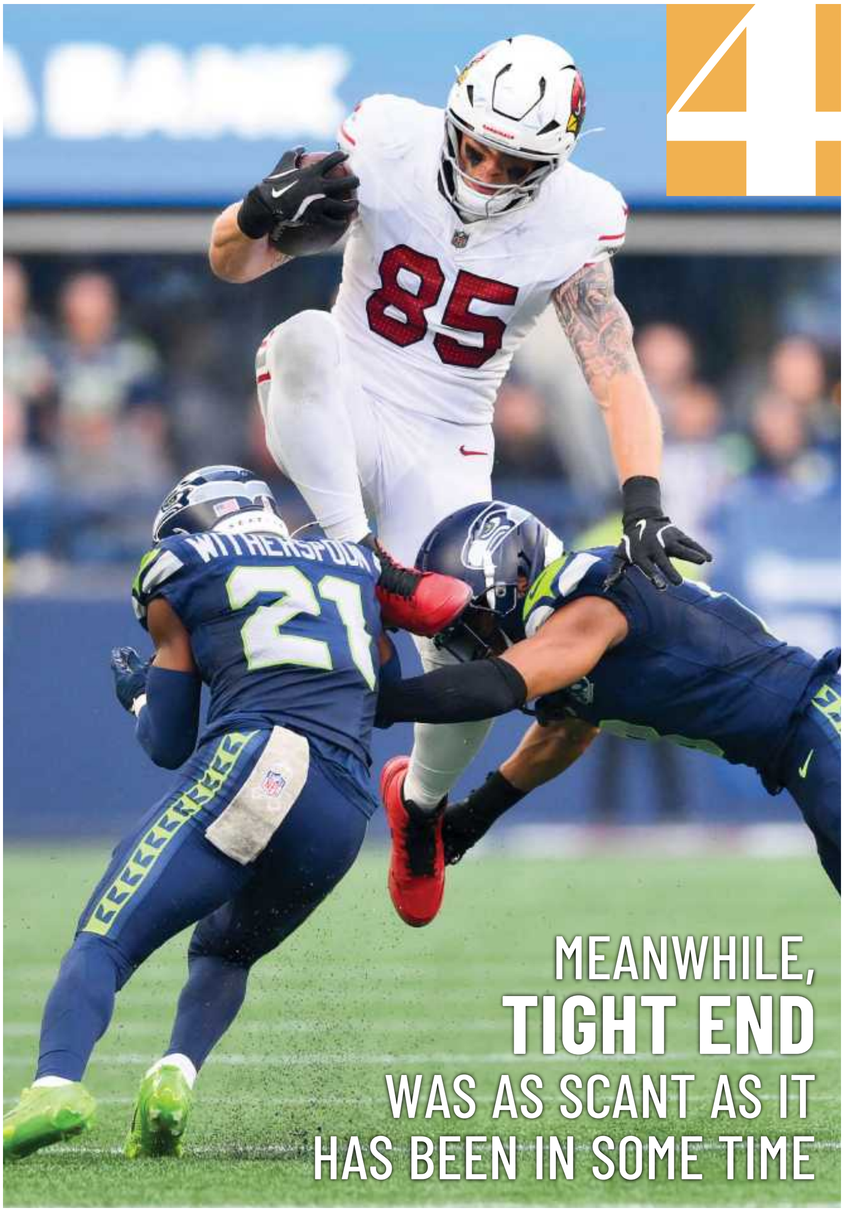
Skating towards league-changing upside is, in a way, a bit of a risk. We might get hit. But we also might not. And when you duck the hit, you can do something like wind up with one of the most valuable players in fantasy football with a late-first-round pick.

# 3

## SUPERFLEX DRAFTERS WILL BE HAPPY TO LEARN **HOW DEEP THE QUARTERBACK POSITION HAS BECOME**

**SIMPLY PUT, THIS IS ONE OF** the deepest fields at quarterback I can remember. Of the top-six finishers at the position last season in points per game, only Josh Allen (obvious No. 1 overall quarterback) and Patrick Mahomes (a tier-3, bottom of the top-10 quarterback by ADP) were not available late in standard drafts. Allen did not clear Drake Maye by an unreasonable amount of fantasy points. It seems fairly obvious that Allen will be the first quarterback off the board, and after that, I like Lamar Jackson to follow as No. 2. But due to his health history, I don't think Jackson is in his own tier this year, and if anything, he is in a robust second tier of quarterbacks. In shallow one-quarterback leagues, that means that playing against known bad defenses and streaming is very much in play as a strategy again. And in superflex leagues, it means you shouldn't be rushing to lock in two quarterbacks before everybody else has one.

If you told me a year from now that Tyler Shough had finished as a top-12 quarterback in 2026, I simply wouldn't be surprised. There are just very few quarterback situations — the Browns, the Raiders, the Jets, the Steelers — where it would surprise me if the starting quarterback was able to crack 16 fantasy points per game. The depth at quarterback is better than ever, even if the number of meaningful difference-makers feels low.



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## MEANWHILE, **TIGHT END** WAS AS SCANT AS IT HAS BEEN IN SOME TIME

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**THERE WAS ONE PERSON IN EACH LEAGUE WHO WAS HAPPY WITH WHAT** they got out of their tight ends last year, and that player drafted **Trey McBride**. Congrats to them. Brock Bowers was so banged up that he became unplayable early, and the Raiders shut him down late in the season. George Kittle and Sam LaPorta lost time to injury. The only other tight end who even scored 200 PPR points at the position last year was the perpetually disappointing Kyle Pitts Sr., and he still averaged 6.2 PPR points fewer than McBride. Third place was Travis Kelce, who is in his zombie era. The top-12 tight ends by ADP last year was a minefield: T.J. Hockenson, Evan Engram, David Njoku, Mark Andrews — very few were spared.

And I'm not entirely sure who you head back to at the position after McBride and giving Bowers an injury mulligan. LaPorta off back surgery? Kittle off an Achilles tear? I think my No. 3 tight end might easily be Colston Loveland at this point after his target rates in his two most recent regular-season games and two playoff games.

And that's going to lead to the opposite conclusion of the quarterback approach: I'm more interested in treating the position as stars and scrubs. I might want McBride in the first or second round over a similarly exciting wideout. And if we get to a point where I'm looking at Kelce, hand me seven rounds of other picks and I'll figure out how to get it done with Isaiah Likely.

## 5

# IF A TEAM SHOWS YOU THEY WANT TO POUND THE ROCK, BELIEVE THEM

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**I AM TIRED OF PEOPLE TRYING TO** sell me Green Bay Packers receivers. Last year, Jayden Reed got plenty of hype as a breakout candidate. He delivered zero games with more than six targets. Tucker Kraft needs an insane amount of per-target efficiency to produce as a top-10 tight end when he's healthy. (And to his credit, he cleared that bar last year.) Christian Watson, coming off a torn ACL in late 2024, didn't play until Week 8. When he did play, again, it was the efficiency that saved him. He had one game with more than seven targets. The six touchdown catches kept him in the high-end flex conversation.

The Packers want to run the football. They prefer a three-yard **Josh Jacobs** run to a six-yard completion. The Packers have many talented receivers — they are fun to watch when they pass the ball — but Packers head coach and play-caller Matt LaFleur apparently hates fun.

I love watching Nico Collins play football. His highlight reel borders on the obscene. The only plausible scenario I can think of in which he is a top-five fantasy wideout is the one in which he catches 13 or more touchdowns. The Texans just don't throw that much.They want to run over defenses with their ground game. The only thing that stopped them from doing that last year was that they didn't have the talent to do it, and they addressed that by signing running back David Montgomery and offensive linemen Braden Smith and Wyatt Teller and drafting O-lineman Keylan Rutledge in the first round. They want to pound the ball. Listen to them. Listen to the Jaguars when they sign Chris Rodriguez Jr., draft blocking tight ends in bulk and expect the offensive run game efficiency to improve. Listen to the Eagles when they hire a new offensive coordinator and bring in a different blocking emphasis to revive their run game.

Finding enough efficiency with fewer targets to reach the kind of production you'll get in an offense that actually wants to throw the ball is a tough needle to thread. Don't go hoping you'll find reliable WR3s out of No. 2 targets on these sorts of teams. You're much more likely to find disappointment from a fantasy perspective.

# 6

# SAQUON BARKLEY PROVES THAT FALLING APART CAN HAPPEN TO ANYONE

**I THINK WE ALL KNEW THAT** regression was likely for Barkley — even though I tried to make an argument against it happening in this feature last year. What we didn't know was just how big the regression would be. The Eagles brought back every single offensive starter except for guard Mekhi Becton. Not keeping Becton turned out to be a pretty shrewd move, as he had such a bad year with the Chargers that he remained a free agent well into the offseason in 2026.

The offensive line dealt with injuries — Lane Johnson missed several games, Landon Dickerson was in and out of the lineup and Cam Jurgens also missed time. But I think the bigger culprit in Barkley's fall from grace was Philadelphia's general lack of any interest in solving a stacked box. The Eagles weren't really able to get Barkley to the edge because they didn't want to use quarterback Jalen Hurts on designed runs or run-pass options — Kellen Moore, the OC in 2024, loved run-pass options. They also ran into a problem with Hurts throwing against zone defenses and not loving the middle of the field, so the only way they could effectively punish defenses was to chuck it deep. Hurts led the NFL in deep pass percentage (percentage of throws that travel at least 20 yards in the air) at 13.2%. In 2024, that number was 8.4%.

So the Eagles became very predictable when they ran, and they couldn't really prevent defenses from stacking the line of scrimmage to stop them. What OC Kevin Patullo did wasn't enough to get Hurts to throw defenses out of stacking the box. And the result was a catastrophic regression for Barkley. A more rational approach to 2025 would have said, "Hey, maybe just do what you did last year," but Patullo boldly decided that wasn't for him. In perhaps related news, he got fired. Barkley is still in line for a big volume role under first-time OC Sean Mannion, who coincidentally was on the Packers' staff the past two seasons. Skate to where the puck is going, even if you might get hit.

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# 7

## FIND THE TEAMS WHERE EVERYTHING WENT WRONG FOR THEM LAST YEAR ...

# AND BELIEVE IN A BOUNCE-BACK

**WITH McCAFFREY LEADING THE** way, the 49ers lost 65 adjusted games to injury on offense in 2024 per FTN. Injury luck does tend to regress at least a little. The point is: If the situation is otherwise good, losing a lot of games to injury can add up over the long haul. Running backs need healthy blockers to perform their best, everyone needs a healthy quarterback to perform their best, and so on.

Other teams in the bottom eight of adjusted games lost (AGL) in 2024 on offense with reasonable play-calling and quarterback situations were the Saints, Rams and Patriots. I assume I don't need to spend much time on the Rams after quarterback Matthew Stafford won the league MVP, and essentially all their main offensive pieces were solid hits at worst. Drake Maye believers were rewarded handsomely. Chris Olave believers were granted a WR1 finish. While rookie running back TreVeyon Henderson's good play went unrewarded as far as snaps, he was effective enough to be a mild success by ADP. Juwan Johnson finished as a reasonable low-end TE1.

Three of last year's bottom-eight offenses by AGL stand out to me: the Chargers, Buccaneers and Commanders. In some ways it's very easy to look at how **Justin Herbert** has performed and believe this is what he is — the numbers are very consistently a low-end fantasy QB1. Of course, he played through a broken hand, has a massive upgrade at offensive coordinator with Mike McDaniel and will get both his starting tackles — Rashawn Slater and Joe Alt — back after getting harassed all season. I'm not entirely sure what to think about David Blough as the Commanders' offensive coordinator, but considering Jayden Daniels was fantasy QB2 by ADP at some points last offseason, Daniels is a reasonable bounce-back candidate. Nobody is going to be excited about buying into the Buccaneers, but if you look at their last eight games compared to the previous 26 with the same head coach and quarterback, you're going to get some ADP deals.

Yes, the 49ers are on the list again thanks to wide receivers Brandon Aiyuk, Ricky Pearsall and quarterback Brock Purdy. And yes, it will continue to make sense to buy the 49ers' offensive pieces.

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# 2026 DYNASTY ROOKIE RANKINGS

JEREMIYAH LOVE

1. **JEREMIYAH LOVE**
   RB, CARDINALS
2. **CARNELL TATE**
   WR, TITANS
3. **JADARIAN PRICE**
   RB, SEAHAWKS
4. **JORDYN TYSON**
   WR, SAINTS
5. **MAKAI LEMON**
   WR, EAGLES
6. **KC CONCEPCION**
   WR, BROWNS
7. **OMAR COOPER JR.**
   WR, JETS
8. **KENYON SADIQ**
   TE, JETS
9. **FERNANDO MENDOZA**
   QB, RAIDERS
10. **DE'ZHAUN STRIBLING**
    WR, 49ERS
11. **DENZEL BOSTON**
    WR, BROWNS
12. **ANTONIO WILLIAMS**
    WR, COMMANDERS
13. **MALACHI FIELDS**
    WR, GIANTS
14. **ZACHARIAH BRANCH**
    WR, FALCONS
15. **ELI STOWERS**
    TE, EAGLES
16. **GERMIE BERNARD**
    WR, STEELERS
17. **JONAH COLEMAN**
    RB, BRONCOS
18. **CHRIS BELL**
    WR, DOLPHINS
19. **OSCAR DELP**
    TE, SAINTS
20. **NICHOLAS SINGLETON**
    RB, TITANS
21. **CHRIS BRAZZELL II**
    WR, PANTHERS
22. **EMMETT JOHNSON**
    RB, CHIEFS
23. **KAYTRON ALLEN**
    RB, COMMANDERS
24. **JA'KOBI LANE**
    WR, RAVENS
25. **TED HURST**
    WR, BUCCANEERS

CARNELL TATE

26. **TY SIMPSON**
QB, RAMS
27. **SKYLER BELL**
WR, BILLS
28. **ELIJAH SARRATT**
WR, RAVENS
29. **MIKE WASHINGTON JR.**
RB, RAIDERS
30. **BRENEN THOMPSON**
WR, CHARGERS
31. **DEION BURKS**
WR, COLTS
32. **KAELON BLACK**
RB, 49ERS
33. **MAX KLARE**
TE, RAMS
34. **BRYCE LANCE**
WR, SAINTS
35. **JUSTIN JOLY**
TE, BRONCOS
36. **DEMOND CLAIBORNE**
RB, VIKINGS
37. **ADAM RANDALL**
RB, RAVENS
38. **CALEB DOUGLAS**
WR, DOLPHINS
39. **KEVIN COLEMAN JR.**
WR, DOLPHINS
40. **ELI RARIDON**
TE, PATRIOTS
41. **SETH MCGOWAN**
RB, COLTS
42. **ELI HEIDENREICH**
RB/WR, STEELERS
43. **CJ DANIELS**
WR, RAMS
44. **JACK ENDRIES**
TE, BENGALS
45. **ZAVION THOMAS**
WR, BEARS
46. **NATE BOERKIRCHER**
TE, JAGUARS
47. **JOSH CAMERON**
WR, JAGUARS
48. **MARLIN KLEIN**
TE, TEXANS
49. **KENDRICK LAW**
WR, LIONS
50. **WILL KACMAREK**
TE, DOLPHINS

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# BEST AND WORST LANDING SPOTS FOR HIGH-PROFILE ROOKIES

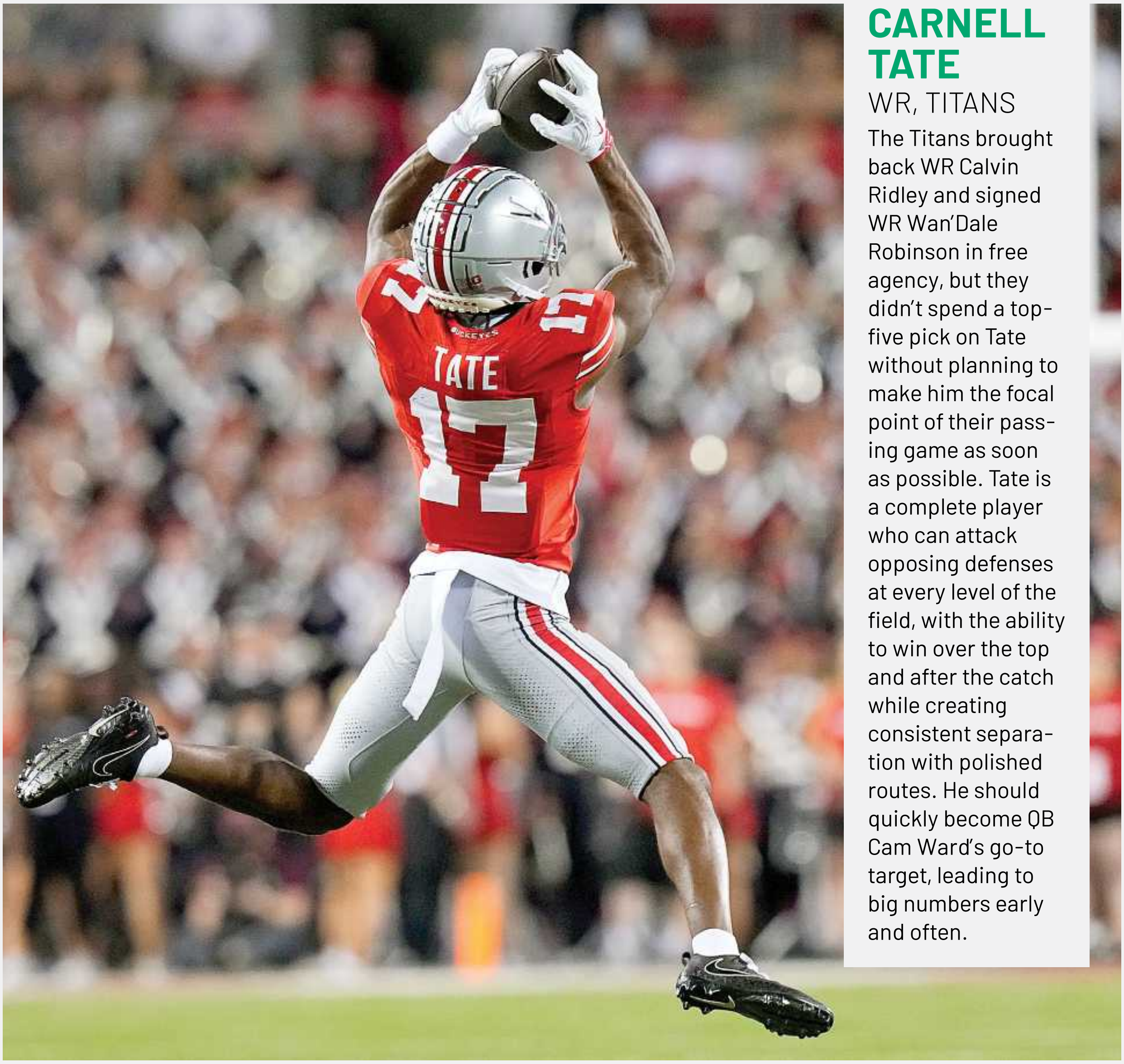
BY LUKE EASTERLING

Location, location, location.

This year's draft class was full of talented prospects at the fantasy-specific positions, but in terms of dynasty value, where they land can often be just as important as their individual talent when it comes to their ability to produce.

Here are the rookies who are landing in the best and worst situations for fantasy value in dynasty leagues:

## BEST



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### CARNELL TATE

WR, TITANS

The Titans brought back WR Calvin Ridley and signed WR Wan'Dale Robinson in free agency, but they didn't spend a top-five pick on Tate without planning to make him the focal point of their passing game as soon as possible. Tate is a complete player who can attack opposing defenses at every level of the field, with the ability to win over the top and after the catch while creating consistent separation with polished routes. He should quickly become QB Cam Ward's go-to target, leading to big numbers early and often.

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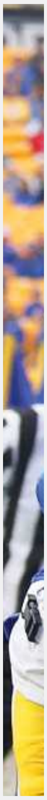
## JADARIAN PRICE

RB, SEAHAWKS

Price may have been the backup to RB Jeremiyah Love at Notre Dame, but he's a three-down weapon in his own right, and he should finally get the chance to shine at the top of the depth chart. Super Bowl MVP Kenneth Walker III left in free agency, and backup RB Zach Charbonnet will be coming off a torn ACL. That should free up Price to get a ton of touches from the jump, and he's talented enough to grab hold of the RB1 spot and never lose it. The defending Super Bowl champs should have plenty of late leads again this season, resulting in tons of carries and production for Price.

# DYNASTY LEAGUES

## BEST



### MALACHI FIELDS

WR, GIANTS

With WR Malik Nabers working his way back from last year's torn ACL and partially torn meniscus, and WR Wan'Dale Robinson gone via free agency, the Giants have an obvious opening for a pass-catcher who can make an immediate impact. Fields has the size (6-foot-4) and physicality to be the perfect complement to Nabers once the latter is healthy, and he should be a go-to target for QB Jaxson Dart in the red zone. Nabers will obviously get the lion's share of the targets once he's back to full strength, but there's a path for Fields to put up significant production right away.

### ANTONIO WILLIAMS

WR, COMMANDERS

Washington has an unquestioned top target in WR Terry McLaurin, but it went into the draft lacking a reliable No. 2 option who could take advantage of 1-on-1 opportunities. Enter Williams, a third-round pick out of Clemson who has the route-running chops and big-play ability to be the ideal fit. While opposing defenses are rolling coverages to McLaurin's side of the field, Williams has the polish and explosiveness to make them pay for leaving his defender on an island, setting him up to be a potential value pick in dynasty leagues.

### ZACHARIAH BRANCH

WR, FALCONS

WR Drake London is still the top dog in Atlanta, but there's a long-term need for a viable second target in this passing game, especially with TE Kyle Pitts Sr. only locked in for one more season on the franchise tag. Branch is lightning in a bottle with the ball in his hands, and though he saw usage mostly on screens and other quick routes at Georgia, he's capable of running a much more complete route tree. Don't be surprised if the Falcons unlock his potential by letting him stretch the field and exploit defenses that are worried about stopping London and Pitts.

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# WORST

## KENYON SADIQ

TE, JETS

I'm a huge fan of the athleticism and potential Sadiq brings to the Jets as a potential pass-catching weapon and mismatch machine. That said, he's landing in an offense that already has Garrett Wilson as the No. 1 passing target; that spent a first-round pick this year on WR Omar Cooper Jr.; and that just spent a second-round pick last year on another tight end in Mason Taylor. Throw in the lack of a long-term solution at quarterback, and Sadiq could struggle to provide the kind of volume that will justify his dynasty draft slot.

## DENZEL BOSTON

WR, BROWNS

I actually love what the Browns did early in this draft, pairing Boston's above-the-rim skill set with the explosiveness and big-play ability of first-round WR KC Concepcion. But both players will dilute one another's target share, and TE Harold Fannin Jr. has already proven to be a dynamic weapon worthy of significant targets. Trading away WR Jerry Jeudy would create some opportunities, but the crowded depth chart and unstable quarterback situation won't help Boston put up big numbers anytime soon.

## MIKE WASHINGTON JR.

RB, RAIDERS

The No. 3 running back on my board in this year's draft, Washington brings an impressive blend of size, speed and power as a prospect. But the Raiders just spent a top-10 pick on RB Ashton Jeanty last year, so barring an injury, Washington will spend his entire rookie contract playing second fiddle to the clear-cut leader atop the depth chart. The Raiders still have a ton of work to do along the offensive line as well, so Washington could struggle to maximize his upside when he does get his opportunities in relief of Jeanty.

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# 2026 DYNASTY STASHES

BY LUKE EASTERLING

## RYAN FLOURNOY

WR, COWBOYS

George Pickens' presence obviously weighs considerably when measuring Flournoy's fantasy value, but Flournoy has proven that he can produce when volume comes his way. He posted multiple 100-yard games last season, finishing the year with 475 yards on 40 receptions (56 targets), with four touchdown catches. The 6-foot-1, 200-pounder is 26, and he has clearly earned Dak Prescott's trust and respect. Flournoy has a path to future dynasty value, and depending on what happens with Pickens, he could be in line for an even bigger role than the WR3 spot he's already earned in a potentially high-volume passing game.

## BRAELON ALLEN

RB, JETS

The Jets brought back Breece Hall to be their featured back, and he just signed a multi-year contract extension. Behind him on the depth chart is Allen, who is still just 22 with two years of NFL experience already under his belt. Allen has an impressive combination of size (6-foot-1, 235 pounds) and athleticism that gives him intriguing upside as a dynasty investment, and while he needs to prove he can stay healthy, Hall has had his own injury issues in the past, and another one could quickly put Allen in the RB1 spot. Beyond this season, Allen still brings starting potential and could attract significant interest from other franchises if he remains stuck behind Hall.

## LeQUINT ALLEN JR.

RB, JAGUARS

After the Jaguars let Travis Etienne Jr. walk in free agency, 2025 fourth-round pick Bhayshul Tuten is primed for the starting job in the Jags' backfield. That said, Jacksonville drafted Allen on Day 3 last year, and he showed flashes of intriguing potential in limited work as a rookie. Veteran Chris Rodriguez Jr. arrived in free agency this offseason on a two-year deal, but Allen brings more future upside to the table as a dynasty asset. If Tuten's fumbling issues persist, and either he or Rodriguez ends up dealing with any kind of significant injury, Allen could get an opportunity to prove he's worthy of significant touches in a dynamic offense under head coach Liam Coen.

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## JAYLIN LANE

WR, COMMANDERS

There's Terry McLaurin and not much else in terms of proven depth in Washington's wide receiver room, which leaves a wide-open opportunity for someone to emerge as a legitimate No. 2 target. A fourth-round pick out of Virginia Tech last year, Lane caught only 16 passes as a rookie, but he averaged 14.1 yards per reception. He also showed off his explosiveness and big-play ability in the return game, taking two punts back for scores. Though undersized at just 5-foot-10 and 196 pounds, Lane possesses the ability to challenge opposing defenses over the top and after the catch, and he could prove to be a valuable weapon for Jayden Daniels.

## TAHJ BROOKS

RB, BENGALS

When they're both healthy, the Bengals have a strong 1-2 punch in the offensive backfield with do-it-all starter Chase Brown and veteran backup Samaje Perine. But Perine turns 31 in September, and Brown dealt with multiple injuries over his first two NFL seasons before playing all 17 games last year. Waiting in the wings behind them is Brooks, a sixth-round pick in 2025 who put up big numbers at Texas Tech, and who brings a versatile skill set that could demand a bigger role if anything were to happen to Brown or Perine this year. Brooks struggled to shine in limited work as a rookie, but his college tape says the 24-year-old has untapped ability if the trenches can hold up in front of him.

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## QB JALEN MILROE

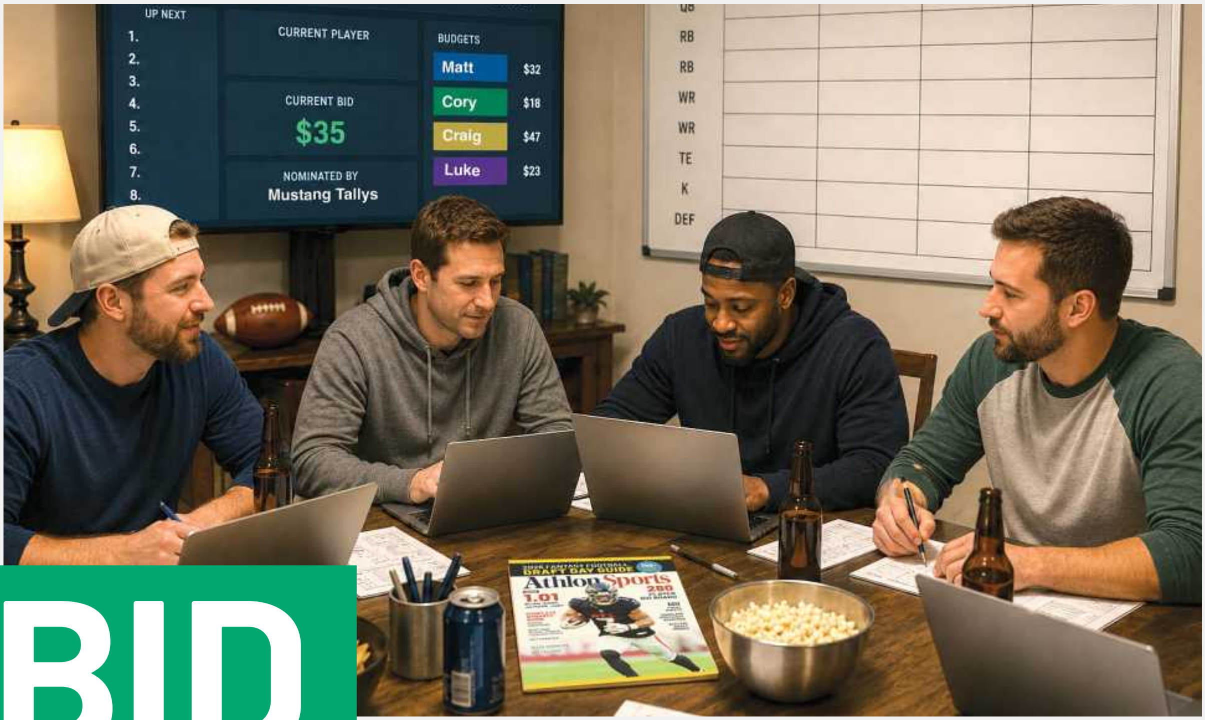
QB, SEAHAWKS

It's always a long shot with midround quarterbacks, but there's no harm in taking a free-agent flier on a playmaker with Milroe's athleticism and potential. Sam Darnold is obviously entrenched as the Seahawks' starter for the foreseeable future, but Milroe's unique skill set gives him limitless upside if he can continue to get more comfortable as a passer. Arm strength isn't an issue, and he's got elite speed that gives him rushing upside from a fantasy perspective. This is obviously a long-term play, with Darnold in the driver's seat for the defending champs, but don't sleep on Milroe's potential to be a difference-maker at some point down the line.

## BEN SINNOTT

TE, COMMANDERS

Another Washington pass-catcher to keep an eye on. The Commanders invested a second-round pick in Sinnott two years ago, but he's faded into the background after failing to move the needle in terms of pass-catching production. Still, the talent that made him an early draft pick remains, and this passing game is begging for someone to emerge as a secondary target to McLaurin. The Commanders signed Chig Okonkwo to a three-year deal in free agency this offseason, but I'm not ready to give up on the potential I saw from Sinnott throughout the predraft process back in 2024. If he gets an opportunity to be a significant part of this offense, the ability is there.



# BID WI$ELY

## A GUIDE TO AUCTION STRATEGY

By **CORY BONINI**, Athlon Fantasy Editor

A natural progression of "upping your game" in fantasy football is the leap from a traditional snake draft to participating in your first auction. This drafting format gives each manager the same access to every player in the pool, so long as the owner is willing to spend the acquisition price set through a live bidding process. Instead of selecting from a fixed draft slot, managers nominate players and bid on them until rosters are full. In most standard leagues, each team starts with a $200 budget of fake money.

In a snake format, draft order influences which players and tiers are realistically available. Managers react to the board and adjust when a run empties a position before their next pick. In an auction, every player is available if he fits your remaining budget, your willingness to spend and the roster requirements. One unique difference in auctions is that nominating players for bidding means you could see a backup tight end or a targeted defense purchased before an elite running back who normally would go early in a conventional draft.

This added freedom makes auctions more demanding. Managers still need tiered rankings and positional priorities, but they also must create a spending plan and maintain discipline to follow it. Auction success typically comes from turning a fixed budget into the strongest lineup and deepest useful roster, not from collecting the most stars. However, there are exceptions to every rule, and occasionally the league winner simply knocks it out of the park with a few high-priced bids.

### TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL AUCTION

It's tougher to wing it in auctions than in serpentine formats. Unprepared managers often overpay early and spend the rest of the draft trying to patch weak spots.

Managers should decide which

type of roster they want before bidding starts. One approach is stars and scrubs, where a roster revolves around two or three expensive anchors and cheaper supporting pieces. Another approach skips the very top of the board and tries to dominate the middle tier with a deep, reliable core build. Both paths can work, and both have pros and cons. For example, buying several expensive players and still chasing pricey midtier names usually leaves too little money for reliable depth.

Once that intention is established, a practical way to build a bidding plan is to divide the budget into roster buckets by positional value, scarcity and lineup requirements. In a standard one-quarterback format, most of the budget should go to the starting lineup core, with smaller portions reserved for midrange starters, flex options and the bench. A balanced build might put roughly $130 to $150 into the main lineup, $35 to $50 into peripheral starters/flex options and the remaining dollars into the deeper bench. Those numbers can shift by format, but the allocation principle stays the same.

Next, budgetary discipline is the plan's glue. Managers should enter the room with a target price range for players and a walk-away price for each important rankings tier. Good fantasy options become bad buys when managers go on tilt and chase names beyond the player's value.

Nomination strategy can create favorable buying advantages. Newer auction players often nominate only the players they want most, which works to an extent, but nominations can also steer the room. Early in the draft, nominating expensive players who do not fit the plan, or those you believe others may overvalue, can force money off the board and create bidding leverage later. Nominating a personal target makes sense if the room spent heavily at that position, several managers can no longer bid aggressively against you or you think he'll fly under the radar early on.

Patience is mandatory. One player may go for an inflated number because two managers become locked in a determined bidding war. Ten minutes later, a similar player may go substantially cheaper for various market-related reasons. Managers who stay patient can let others create inflation and then buy when pricing settles.

Managers should keep roster construction in view the entire time, since each bid should be tied to both price and roster need. A wide receiver bargain is not automatically a smart buy if running back depth is thin or other prominent areas of need exist.

Safeguarding a little endgame flexibility creates an opportunity for bully bidding. A manager with $8 left for the final three spots has more control than an owner limited by a $2 max bid. In the late stages of an auction, even a few extra dollars create an advantage.

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## MISTAKES TO AVOID IN FANTASY FOOTBALL AUCTION DRAFTS

Interpreting average auction values (AAV) as fixed prices reduces flexibility for unexpected bargains. Treat them as a reference point — like ADP is viewed in snake formats — because every room creates its own market.

Budget discipline is vital, but unused dollars do not score points. It takes practice to navigate a series of individual bidding battles while maintaining focus on the end goal. Don't find yourself wishing you had bid up a few bucks on "the one who got away" if you're sitting on post-auction cash.

Opponent budgets, roster needs and positional scarcity all shape what a player is likely to cost and telegraph how your league mates may respond. Most software hosts track both your opponents' remaining money and who can still challenge a bid, and many novices ignore those cues.

## IS AN AUCTION DRAFT RIGHT FOR YOU?

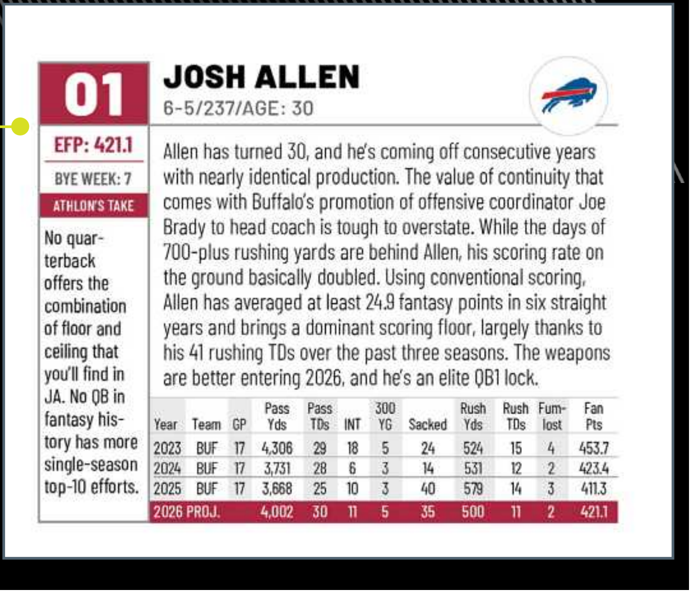
Have serpentine drafts become stale? Are you looking for a greater challenge? More of an analytical or strategic thinker? Down to try new things? All of these are logical reasons for taking the plunge.

As a 30-year veteran of fantasy drafting, I think an underappreciated aspect of auctions is how few auctions are the same experience. While some overarching themes repeat out of necessity, you'll notice a wider variance of lineup constructions and positional trends than in snake drafts. Even greater variance exists between auctions with significant fluctuations in aggressiveness, bidding battles and the like.

For anyone who loves the strategy side of fantasy football, auction drafts offer one of the most engaging ways to build a team.

# EXPLAINING EFP

EFP stands for Expected Fantasy Points, the total fantasy points projected by Athlon Sports for QBs, RBs, WRs, TEs, Ks and D/ST units using a performance-based, PPR scoring system. The **EFP** is just an extra bonus for readers who enjoy the convenience of seeing a projected points total next to each player.



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**JOSH ALLEN**

6-5/237/AGE: 30

**EFP: 421.1**

BYE WEEK: 7

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

No quarterback offers the combination of floor and ceiling that you'll find in JA. No QB in fantasy history has more single-season top-10 efforts.

Allen has turned 30, and he's coming off consecutive years with nearly identical production. The value of continuity that comes with Buffalo's promotion of offensive coordinator Joe Brady to head coach is tough to overstate. While the days of 700-plus rushing yards are behind Allen, his scoring rate on the ground basically doubled. Using conventional scoring, Allen has averaged at least 24.9 fantasy points in six straight years and brings a dominant scoring floor, largely thanks to his 41 rushing TDs over the past three seasons. The weapons are better entering 2026, and he's an elite QB1 lock.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BUF | 17 | 4,306 | 29 | 18 | 5 | 24 | 524 | 15 | 4 | 453.7 |
| 2024 | BUF | 17 | 3,731 | 28 | 6 | 3 | 14 | 531 | 12 | 2 | 423.4 |
| 2025 | BUF | 17 | 3,668 | 25 | 10 | 3 | 40 | 579 | 14 | 3 | 411.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 4,002 | 30 | 11 | 5 | 35 | 500 | 11 | 2 | 421.1 |

## BYE WEEKS

| | |
|---|---|
| **WEEK 5** | Carolina, Kansas City |
| **WEEK 6** | Cincinnati, Detroit, Miami, Minnesota |
| **WEEK 7** | Buffalo, Jacksonville, L.A. Chargers, Washington |
| **WEEK 8** | Houston, New Orleans, N.Y. Giants, San Francisco |
| **WEEK 9** | Pittsburgh, Tennessee |
| **WEEK 10** | Chicago, Denver, Philadelphia, Tampa Bay |
| **WEEK 11** | Atlanta, Cleveland, Green Bay, L.A. Rams, New England, Seattle |
| **WEEK 13** | Baltimore, Indianapolis, Las Vegas, N.Y. Jets |
| **WEEK 14** | Arizona, Dallas |

## ATHLON SCORING

### OFFENSE

- → 1 yard rushing = 0.1 point
- → 1 yard receiving = 0.1 point
- → 1 yard passing = 0.05 point
- → Rushing/receiving TDs = 6 points
- → Passing TDs = 4 points
- → 1 point per reception
- → Interceptions = -1 point
- → Fumbles lost = -2 points

### KICKING

- → 39 yards and under = 3 points
- → 40-49 yards = 4 points
- → 50-59 yards = 5 points
- → 60+ yards = 6 points
- → PATs = 1 point

### TEAM DEFENSE (D/ST)

- → 0-10 points allowed = 7 points
- → Interceptions = 2 points
- → Fumbles recovered = 2 points
- → Sacks = 1 point
- → Safeties = 2 points
- → Defensive/ST TDs = 6 points

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# QB

## STAFF TOP 12s

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Josh Allen | Josh Allen | Josh Allen | Josh Allen | Josh Allen |
| 2. | Lamar Jackson | Lamar Jackson | Dak Prescott | Dak Prescott | Drake Maye |
| 3. | Drake Maye | Joe Burrow | Joe Burrow | Joe Burrow | Lamar Jackson |
| 4. | Joe Burrow | Drake Maye | Lamar Jackson | Caleb Williams | Joe Burrow |
| 5. | Jayden Daniels | Jayden Daniels | Drake Maye | Lamar Jackson | Caleb Williams |
| 6. | Jalen Hurts | Caleb Williams | Caleb Williams | Bo Nix | Trevor Lawrence |
| 7. | Caleb Williams | Justin Herbert | Jayden Daniels | Drake Maye | Jalen Hurts |
| 8. | Justin Herbert | Jalen Hurts | Jalen Hurts | Trevor Lawrence | Dak Prescott |
| 9. | Baker Mayfield | Jaxson Dart | Trevor Lawrence | Jalen Hurts | Jayden Daniels |
| 10. | Dak Prescott | Dak Prescott | Jared Goff | Justin Herbert | Justin Herbert |
| 11. | Trevor Lawrence | Matthew Stafford | Justin Herbert | Jared Goff | Jared Goff |
| 12. | Patrick Mahomes | Trevor Lawrence | Matthew Stafford | Jayden Daniels | Bo Nix |

| | LUKE EASTERLING | CRAIG ELLENPORT | MARK ROSS | CORY BONINI | KYLE WOOD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Top Rookie | Fernando Mendoza | Fernando Mendoza | Fernando Mendoza | Fernando Mendoza | Fernando Mendoza |
| Sleeper | Cam Ward | Kyler Murray | Kyler Murray | Tyler Shough | Kyler Murray |
| Deep Sleeper | Geno Smith | Cam Ward | Tyler Shough | Shedeur Sanders | Tyler Shough |
| Bounce-Back | C.J. Stroud | Patrick Mahomes | Joe Burrow | Kyler Murray | Baker Mayfield |
| Bust | Tyler Shough | Tyler Shough | Bo Nix | Patrick Mahomes | Patrick Mahomes |
| Injury Risk | Joe Burrow | Michael Penix Jr. | Patrick Mahomes | Matthew Stafford | Jaxson Dart |

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## 2026 RANKINGS

| | RK | PLAYER | TEAM | BYE |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ | 1 | **Josh Allen** | BUF | 7 |
| ☐ | 2 | **Dak Prescott** | DAL | 14 |
| ☐ | 3 | **Joe Burrow** | CIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 4 | **Caleb Williams** | CHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 5 | **Lamar Jackson** | BAL | 13 |
| ☐ | 6 | **Bo Nix** | DEN | 10 |
| ☐ | 7 | **Drake Maye** | NE | 11 |
| ☐ | 8 | **Trevor Lawrence** | JAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 9 | **Jalen Hurts** | PHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 10 | **Justin Herbert** | LAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 11 | **Jared Goff** | DET | 6 |
| ☐ | 12 | **Jayden Daniels** | WAS | 7 |
| ☐ | 13 | **Matthew Stafford** | LAR | 11 |
| ☐ | 14 | **Baker Mayfield** | TB | 10 |
| ☐ | 15 | **Jordan Love** | GB | 11 |
| ☐ | 16 | **Kyler Murray** | MIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 17 | **Jaxson Dart** | NYG | 8 |
| ☐ | 18 | **Sam Darnold** | SEA | 11 |
| ☐ | 19 | **Brock Purdy** | SF | 8 |
| ☐ | 20 | **Tyler Shough** | NO | 8 |
| ☐ | 21 | **Patrick Mahomes** | KC | 5 |
| ☐ | 22 | **C.J. Stroud** | HOU | 8 |
| ☐ | 23 | **Bryce Young** | CAR | 5 |
| ☐ | 24 | **Aaron Rodgers** | PIT | 9 |
| ☐ | 25 | **Daniel Jones** | IND | 13 |
| ☐ | 26 | **Cam Ward** | TEN | 9 |
| ☐ | 27 | **Jacoby Brissett** | ARI | 14 |
| ☐ | 28 | **Malik Willis** | MIA | 6 |
| ☐ | 29 | **Geno Smith** | NYJ | 13 |
| ☐ | 30 | **Shedeur Sanders** | CLE | 11 |
| ☐ | 31 | **Tua Tagovailoa** | ATL | 11 |
| ☐ | 32 | **Kirk Cousins** | LV | 13 |
| ☐ | 33 | **Fernando Mendoza** (R) | LV | 13 |
| ☐ | 34 | **Justin Fields** | KC | 5 |
| ☐ | 35 | **Deshaun Watson** | CLE | 11 |
| ☐ | 36 | **Michael Penix Jr.** | ATL | 11 |
| ☐ | 37 | **Mac Jones** | SF | 8 |
| ☐ | 38 | **Quinn Ewers** | MIA | 6 |
| ☐ | 39 | **Jameis Winston** | NYG | 8 |
| ☐ | 40 | **Riley Leonard** | IND | 13 |

## INJURY CONCERNS

**JAYDEN DANIELS, WASHINGTON** Daniels' 2025 season was derailed by multiple injuries, but the most important one was a dislocated left elbow suffered in early November. Washington later shut him down for the rest of the season, although reporting at the time indicated there was no ligament damage and no surgery was necessary. He should be expected back for 2026 work, but Daniels' thin frame makes it impossible to ignore the likelihood of future durability issues.

DANIEL JONES

**DANIEL JONES, INDIANAPOLIS** Jones is iffy for the season opener as he recovers from a Week 14 Achilles rupture. The injury typically takes around nine months to physically heal, but stiffness and limited explosiveness can linger well over a year. Much of Jones' fantasy upside comes from his ground game, and he should be treated as a shaky QB2 target as a result. To his credit, however, a late-season surge is not out of the question.

**PATRICK MAHOMES, KANSAS CITY** Mahomes suffered torn anterior cruciate and lateral collateral ligaments in Week 15. While he at least has a chance to be ready for Week 1, the signing of Justin Fields and overall risk of rushing Mahomes back suggest he may begin on the Reserve/PUP list.

**KYLER MURRAY, MINNESOTA** Murray's 2025 season was cut down to five appearances after a midfoot sprain. If he had played better before the injury, or if replacement Jacoby Brissett had struggled, there was a chance Murray would have returned to the Arizona Cardinals. He is fully expected to be ready for training camp and should take over as the QB1 after the failed J.J. McCarthy experiment.

**BO NIX, DENVER** Nix is considered ahead of schedule after right ankle surgery to fix a fracture suffered in the playoffs. Even though the third-year pro may run slightly less often in 2026, he's fully on pace for training camp and should be in the mix for another midrange QB1 finish with an upgraded receiving corps at his disposal.

**MICHAEL PENIX JR., ATLANTA** A partial left ACL tear suffered in Week 11 has Penix behind the curve in an offseason battle against newcomer Tua Tagovailoa. Smart money suggests Penix will be the backup as long as Tua plays well and stays healthy — although we all know Tua's concussion history.

**CAM WARD, TENNESSEE** The 2025 No. 1 overall pick enters his second offseason on the mend following a Grade 3 sprain of the AC joint in his throwing shoulder. Ward has been working through his rehab with a managed throwing program that began in April, and he's fully on schedule for training camp. Unless there's a setback, Ward will be under center come Week 1.

## INTENDED AIR YARDS PER ATTEMPT (IAY/PA)

| RK | PLAYER | TEAM | DB | IAY/PA |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Drake Maye | NE | 492 | 9.1 |
| 2 | Jalen Hurts | PHI | 454 | 9.0 |
| 3 | Matthew Stafford | LAR | 597 | 9.0 |
| 4 | J.J. McCarthy | MIN | 243 | 8.9 |
| 5 | Lamar Jackson | BAL | 302 | 8.8 |
| 6 | Jordan Love | GB | 439 | 8.7 |
| 7 | Trevor Lawrence | JAC | 560 | 8.7 |
| 8 | Caleb Williams | CHI | 568 | 8.5 |
| 9 | Michael Penix Jr. | ATL | 276 | 8.4 |
| 10 | Tyler Shough | NO | 327 | 8.3 |
| 11 | Jaxson Dart | NYG | 339 | 8.1 |
| 12 | Baker Mayfield | TB | 543 | 8.0 |
| 13 | Daniel Jones | IND | 384 | 8.0 |
| 14 | Dak Prescott | DAL | 600 | 8.0 |
| 15 | C.J. Stroud | HOU | 423 | 7.9 |
| 16 | Patrick Mahomes | KC | 502 | 7.9 |
| 17 | Spencer Rattler | NO | 257 | 7.9 |
| 18 | Sam Darnold | SEA | 477 | 7.8 |
| 19 | Justin Herbert | LAC | 512 | 7.8 |
| 20 | Jacoby Brissett | ARI | 485 | 7.6 |
| 21 | Brock Purdy | SF | 284 | 7.5 |
| 22 | Bo Nix | DEN | 612 | 7.3 |
| 23 | Mac Jones | SF | 289 | 7.3 |
| 24 | Joe Flacco | 2TM | 416 | 7.3 |
| 25 | Josh Allen | BUF | 460 | 7.3 |
| 26 | Cam Ward | TEN | 540 | 7.2 |
| 27 | Joe Burrow | CIN | 259 | 7.2 |
| 28 | Kirk Cousins | ATL | 269 | 7.0 |
| 29 | Tua Tagovailoa | MIA | 384 | 6.7 |
| 30 | Bryce Young | CAR | 478 | 6.4 |
| 31 | Jared Goff | DET | 578 | 6.4 |
| 32 | Geno Smith | LV | 448 | 6.1 |
| 33 | Aaron Rodgers | PIT | 498 | 6.0 |

Source: Pro Football Reference 2025 Advanced Passing page

DAK PRESCOTT

## 01 JOSH ALLEN

6-5/237/AGE: 30

**EFP: 421.1**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

No quarterback offers the combination of floor and ceiling that you'll find in JA. No QB in fantasy history has more single-season top-10 efforts.

Allen turned 30, and he's coming off consecutive years with nearly identical production. The value of continuity that comes with Buffalo's promotion of offensive coordinator Joe Brady to head coach is tough to overstate. While the days of 700-plus rushing yards are behind Allen, his scoring rate on the ground basically doubled. Using conventional scoring, Allen has averaged at least 24.9 fantasy points in six straight years and brings a dominant scoring floor, largely thanks to his 41 rushing TDs over the past three seasons. The weapons are better entering 2026, and he's an elite QB1 lock.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BUF | 17 | 4,306 | 29 | 18 | 5 | 24 | 524 | 15 | 4 | 453.7 |
| 2024 | BUF | 17 | 3,731 | 28 | 6 | 3 | 14 | 531 | 12 | 2 | 423.4 |
| 2025 | BUF | 17 | 3,668 | 25 | 10 | 3 | 40 | 579 | 14 | 3 | 411.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 4,002 | 30 | 11 | 5 | 35 | 500 | 11 | 2 | 421.1 |

## 02 DAK PRESCOTT

6-2/230/AGE: 33

**EFP: 368.0**

**BYE WEEK: 14**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Everything aligns for Prescott to enjoy the finest fantasy season of his career. He's a value pick with top-3 upside.

Prescott's weaponry is intact after George Pickens signed his franchise tender. Between Pickens and CeeDee Lamb, there's arguably no stronger top receiving duo in football, and Dak also benefits from capable pass-catching running backs and tight ends. In 2025, Prescott attempted the second-most passes and saw his receivers drop 4.2% of them, so there's room for efficiency improvement. No QB posted more 300-yard games (six, tied with Jared Goff), and Prescott's 12% poor throw rate was among the best for qualified passers. Sheer volume will overcome his diminished rushing returns.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DAL | 17 | 4,516 | 36 | 9 | 5 | 39 | 242 | 2 | 2 | 397.0 |
| 2024 | DAL | 8 | 1,978 | 11 | 8 | 2 | 21 | 54 | 1 | 1 | 144.3 |
| 2025 | DAL | 17 | 4,552 | 30 | 10 | 6 | 31 | 177 | 2 | 2 | 369.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 4,450 | 34 | 8 | 6 | 29 | 155 | 1 | 2 | 368.0 |

## 03 JOE BURROW

6-4/215/AGE: 29

**EFP: 364.7**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

If healthy, Burrow's ceiling is elite, but risk is part of drafting him. Lightning can't strike every season.

Burrow's biggest drawback is durability. He played in only eight games a year ago after a Grade 3 turf toe injury required surgery, and that tremendous downside must be factored into his draft stock. Be sure to back up Burrow earlier than normal with a capable quarterback who can cover more than a bye week. On a positive note, No. 9 finished last year with a 15.8% red-zone attempt rate and only a 10% poor-throw figure. The receiving corps is excellent, and his line returns after allowing a career-low 6.2% sack percentage, so there's top-five upside should he stay healthy.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CIN | 10 | 2,309 | 15 | 6 | 3 | 24 | 88 | 0 | 1 | 176.3 |
| 2024 | CIN | 17 | 4,918 | 43 | 9 | 7 | 48 | 201 | 2 | 5 | 431.0 |
| 2025 | CIN | 8 | 1,809 | 17 | 5 | 2 | 17 | 41 | 0 | 0 | 157.6 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 4,388 | 36 | 8 | 6 | 31 | 93 | 1 | 3 | 364.7 |

## 04 CALEB WILLIAMS

6-1/226/AGE: 24

**EFP: 363.3**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Even after a breakout 2025, there's untapped potential that head coach Ben Johnson can coax out of Williams.

This is an aggressive ranking and Williams' likely fantasy ceiling in 2026. He returns to command head coach Ben Johnson's dynamic offense with a capable line, two quality backs to shield him and a host of talented, varied young targets in the passing game. Williams finished seventh in the NFL in passing yards on the fifth-most attempts last year, and he had the eighth-most rushing attempts among quarterbacks. His 1.2% interception rate was fantastic, and the USC product lost only a single fumble. Blessed with athleticism to help on the ground and moxie you cannot teach, Williams is the real deal.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | CHI | 17 | 3,541 | 20 | 6 | 4 | 68 | 489 | 0 | 5 | 296.0 |
| 2025 | CHI | 17 | 3,942 | 27 | 7 | 1 | 24 | 388 | 3 | 1 | 365.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 4,013 | 29 | 8 | 5 | 26 | 366 | 4 | 3 | 363.3 |

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JOE BURROW

## 05

## LAMAR JACKSON

6-2/205/AGE: 29

**EFP: 363.2**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Durability and decreased running production are concerns, but Jackson's upside is as high as anyone at QB.

Baltimore has turned to rookie head coach Jesse Minter, and the former Chargers defensive coordinator hired Declan Doyle to run his offense. Expect a style similar to Ben Johnson's system, so there will still be plenty of running by Derrick Henry, but Minter has hinted that Jackson won't be as involved in this regard. Coming off an injury-ravaged season, the two-time MVP averaged his fewest fantasy points (19.0) since taking over as a full-time starter, but he opened the year looking like himself for three games and closed with a 24.8-pointer. A healthy Lamar is a productive Lamar.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BAL | 16 | 3,678 | 24 | 7 | 3 | 37 | 821 | 5 | 6 | 375.0 |
| 2024 | BAL | 17 | 4,172 | 41 | 4 | 2 | 23 | 915 | 4 | 5 | 476.1 |
| 2025 | BAL | 13 | 2,549 | 21 | 7 | 0 | 36 | 349 | 2 | 3 | 247.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 3,714 | 25 | 7 | 2 | 33 | 685 | 4 | 4 | 363.2 |

## 06

## BO NIX

6-2/217/AGE: 26

**EFP: 361.6**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The ankle shouldn't be an issue, but even if he runs less frequently, Nix is still a QB1 with improved targets.

Nix's second season wasn't very different from his breakout rookie campaign. While you could argue that he regressed as a passer, the difference was negligible in per-game fantasy average (20.9 vs. 20.6). He added a rushing TD to his rookie total of four and threw for slightly more yardage, albeit on more attempts with four fewer TDs. A fractured ankle in the playoffs cost him a chance to play for a Super Bowl berth. Nix underwent a cleanup in April but is expected to be ready for Week 1 without any limitations. On a positive note, Denver added Jaylen Waddle, a major receiving upgrade.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | DEN | 17 | 3,775 | 29 | 12 | 2 | 24 | 430 | 4 | 0 | 367.0 |
| 2025 | DEN | 17 | 3,931 | 25 | 11 | 4 | 22 | 356 | 5 | 2 | 355.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 3,889 | 30 | 10 | 3 | 21 | 371 | 4 | 2 | 361.6 |

## 07

## DRAKE MAYE

6-4/225/AGE: 24

**EFP: 358.7**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

A tougher schedule awaits the Patriots, which is disconcerting. A WR upgrade helps, making Maye a safe enough mid-tier QB1.

Last year, Maye was one of my favorite sleepers, and he even surprised me with a QB3 overall finish. This year, the expectations are sky-high, and his schedule will be much tougher. The Patriots' expected acquisition of A.J. Brown gives Maye a true WR1 target to replace Stefon Diggs. Additionally, they added veteran Romeo Doubs as another capable target; left guard Elijah Vera-Tucker shores up the line; and Jared Wilson, a 2025 third-rounder, takes over at center. Maye's ground game is a nice bonus, and he's a rock-solid QB1 even with a minor backslide.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | NE | 13 | 2,276 | 15 | 10 | 0 | 34 | 421 | 2 | 6 | 207.9 |
| 2025 | NE | 17 | 4,394 | 31 | 8 | 1 | 47 | 450 | 4 | 3 | 403.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 4,130 | 28 | 11 | 2 | 40 | 412 | 3 | 4 | 358.7 |

## 08

## TREVOR LAWRENCE

6-6/220/AGE: 26

**EFP: 358.4**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Last year's breakthrough gives us all hope that Lawrence has turned a corner. You just want to see it happen again.

The top pick in the 2019 draft rebounded well from his 2024 bellyflop and posted a career-high 38 total touchdowns (nine rushing) in amassing 390.3 total fantasy points. He's in the prime of his career in a system that suits him well, and the Jaguars have plenty of talent around him even after letting his former Clemson teammate, RB Travis Etienne Jr., walk in free agency. Despite the sixth-most attempts, Lawrence posted only one 300-yard game, which is discouraging, although no full-time QB saw a higher drop rate (8%). Another QB1 showing is well within his reach.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | JAC | 16 | 4,016 | 21 | 14 | 2 | 35 | 339 | 4 | 7 | 316.7 |
| 2024 | JAC | 10 | 2,045 | 11 | 7 | 2 | 18 | 119 | 3 | 1 | 173.7 |
| 2025 | JAC | 17 | 4,007 | 29 | 12 | 1 | 41 | 359 | 9 | 3 | 390.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 4,029 | 27 | 11 | 3 | 39 | 339 | 5 | 2 | 358.4 |

TREVOR LAWRENCE

## 09

## JALEN HURTS

6-1/223/AGE: 28

**EFP: 356.1**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Hurts is who he is as a passer, so it all comes down to his legs being the separator from other midrange QB1s.

Prior to 2025, no one could argue with Hurts' results as a runner, but even that area of his game took a hit. He responded to a down year throwing the ball in 2024 with seven more TD passes in '25 and 300-plus additional yards, but 209 fewer rushing yards and only eight rushing TDs saw Hurts post his lowest per-game fantasy average since taking over in 2021. In 2026, he's poised to be without WR A.J. Brown, but Philly drafted WR Makai Lemon in Round 1 and TE Eli Stowers in the second. Veteran wideouts Hollywood Brown and Dontayvion Wicks also came to town. Fringe QB1 is Hurts' probable ceiling.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | PHI | 17 | 3,858 | 23 | 15 | 4 | 36 | 605 | 15 | 5 | 410.4 |
| 2024 | PHI | 15 | 2,903 | 18 | 5 | 1 | 38 | 630 | 14 | 5 | 349.2 |
| 2025 | PHI | 16 | 3,224 | 25 | 6 | 1 | 32 | 421 | 8 | 4 | 337.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 3,319 | 23 | 5 | 1 | 34 | 511 | 10 | 4 | 356.1 |

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## 10

## JUSTIN HERBERT

6-6/236/AGE: 28

**EFP: 354.3**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Too much talent to be this underwhelming. Mike McDaniel is the X-factor in unlocking the early-career Herbert.

Injuries thoroughly decimated L.A.'s offensive line last year, and it deeply affected Herbert's second-half stats. He did post his best fantasy season since 2021, though he averaged nearly five more fantasy points per game in the first eight games. The Bolts have assembled a deep, talented cast of targets around him, and Mike McDaniel now runs the offense. Herbert has thrown for at least 3,700 yards and 23 TDs in each healthy campaign, and he typically rushes enough to nudge his results further in your favor.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LAC | 13 | 3,134 | 20 | 7 | 3 | 29 | 228 | 3 | 1 | 278.5 |
| 2024 | LAC | 17 | 3,870 | 23 | 3 | 2 | 41 | 306 | 2 | 2 | 327.1 |
| 2025 | LAC | 16 | 3,727 | 26 | 13 | 4 | 54 | 498 | 2 | 2 | 337.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 3,925 | 29 | 10 | 3 | 42 | 380 | 3 | 2 | 354.3 |

JARED GOFF

## 11

## JARED GOFF

6-4/217/AGE: 31

**EFP: 351.0**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Detroit's raw passing volume makes Goff a consolation prize once you miss out on the elite quarterbacks on this list.

Regardless of the changes around him year after year, Goff remains rock-steady. He has averaged between 20.3 and 22.7 fantasy points in four straight years, throwing at least 30 TDs in each of the past three. He has some of the most talented receivers in the league, and the Lions bolstered his offensive line in the offseason. Drew Petzing replaces Dan Campbell as the play-caller after the head coach replaced last year's OC, John Morton. Despite offering nothing as a runner, Goff's sheer volume (fourth-most passing attempts in '25) and efficiency make him a borderline QB1.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DET | 17 | 4,575 | 30 | 12 | 5 | 30 | 21 | 2 | 4 | 346.9 |
| 2024 | DET | 17 | 4,629 | 37 | 12 | 6 | 31 | 56 | 0 | 0 | 382.8 |
| 2025 | DET | 17 | 4,564 | 34 | 8 | 6 | 38 | 45 | 0 | 5 | 350.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 4,499 | 33 | 10 | 5 | 35 | 40 | 1 | 3 | 351.0 |

## 12

## JAYDEN DANIELS

6-4/210/AGE: 25

**EFP: 343.7**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

When Daniels is healthy, he can win you weeks, but his supporting cast is more suspect without Deebo Samuel Sr. and Zach Ertz.

A lost season due to a dislocated left elbow that was re-injured upon an attempted return to action has Daniels safely seated in the fringe QB1 tier. He's still only 25; he has excellent rushing ability to pick up the slack if his aerial game is lagging any given week; and the offensive design suits him well. Now healthy, Daniels will have less proven talent around him with WR Deebo Samuel Sr. and TE Zach Ertz gone. Nevertheless, his line is solid, and the Commanders may ask him to pass more if all the defensive personnel changes don't quickly jell.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | WAS | 17 | 3,568 | 25 | 9 | 1 | 47 | 891 | 6 | 0 | 400.5 |
| 2025 | WAS | 7 | 1,262 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 18 | 278 | 2 | 2 | 129.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 3,321 | 23 | 8 | 1 | 39 | 676 | 5 | 2 | 343.7 |

MATTHEW STAFFORD

## 13

## MATTHEW STAFFORD

6-3/214/AGE: 38

**EFP: 337.9**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Father Time wins eventually, and Stafford is no stranger to injuries. Tread carefully, but bump him up a few notches if Puka Nacua avoids suspension.

At 37, Stafford had a renaissance year, becoming the oldest quarterback to win his first league MVP. In 2025, the former Georgia star threw for 4,707 yards and 46 touchdowns against just eight picks. Among his full seasons, this was the best per-game effort by Stafford since 2011. He has elite weapons at receiver, capable tight ends, reliable runners, a talented line and an excellent coaching staff. For fantasy, injuries are a concern, and regression is inevitable. He doesn't run, and now WR Puka Nacua's off-field issues are a factor. However, when healthy, No. 9 is impossible to bench.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LAR | 15 | 3,965 | 24 | 11 | 5 | 30 | 65 | 0 | 0 | 293.8 |
| 2024 | LAR | 16 | 3,762 | 20 | 8 | 2 | 28 | 41 | 0 | 2 | 260.2 |
| 2025 | LAR | 17 | 4,707 | 46 | 8 | 4 | 23 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 405.5 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 4,188 | 36 | 10 | 5 | 26 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 337.9 |

## 14

## BAKER MAYFIELD

6-1/215/AGE: 31

**EFP: 335.9**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

If the new system clicks, Mayfield has enough talent around him to produce. He's a high-tier backup until we see otherwise.

Losing surefire Hall of Famer Mike Evans in free agency will sting, even after the star suffered through the worst season of his career. Mayfield, however, has reestablished himself in Tampa and has ample targets at his disposal. At WR, Emeka Egbuka is poised for an explosion, Chris Godwin is healthy, Jalen McMillan returns and and third-rounder Ted Hurst is a huge target. The backfield also boasts two capable receivers, and TE Cade Otton is a decent safety blanket. Zac Robinson takes over as the fourth offensive coordinator in as many years here. Baker is a much safer high-end QB2 than a starter.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | TB | 17 | 4,044 | 28 | 10 | 3 | 40 | 163 | 1 | 3 | 324.5 |
| 2024 | TB | 17 | 4,500 | 41 | 16 | 6 | 40 | 378 | 3 | 2 | 426.8 |
| 2025 | TB | 17 | 3,693 | 26 | 11 | 2 | 36 | 382 | 1 | 3 | 319.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 3,979 | 29 | 14 | 3 | 39 | 349 | 1 | 3 | 335.9 |

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JORDAN LOVE

## 15

## JORDAN LOVE

6-4/219/AGE: 27

**EFP: 334.0**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Love's real-world utility continues to outpace his fake-football value. His WRs must step up if he's to achieve a QB1 breakthrough.

Love has yet to unlock his full potential. He missed time in each of the past two seasons with myriad injuries and has seen his fantasy offerings dip in consecutive years. The Packers have individual talent at receiver but no true alpha, and now arguably his best weapon, TE Tucker Kraft, is coming off an ACL tear. Protection has been an issue, too, and Love offers little in the ground game. Healthy and ready to roll, Love is in a pivotal year. If WRs Matthew Golden and Jayden Reed ascend, he'll outdo this modest ranking.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | GB | 17 | 4,159 | 32 | 11 | 2 | 30 | 247 | 4 | 3 | 371.7 |
| 2024 | GB | 15 | 3,389 | 25 | 11 | 1 | 14 | 83 | 1 | 0 | 278.8 |
| 2025 | GB | 15 | 3,381 | 23 | 6 | 2 | 21 | 199 | 0 | 2 | 275.0 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 4,039 | 28 | 9 | 4 | 28 | 210 | 2 | 2 | 334.0 |

## 16

## KYLER MURRAY

5-10/207/AGE: 29

**EFP: 333.5**

**BYE WEEK: 14**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

A top-10 ceiling is dragged down by Murray's physical limitations and durability. This is a fair placement considering the associated risks.

The failed two-year J.J. McCarthy experiment was met with the offseason addition of Murray. While he's coming off a midfoot sprain and is no stranger to injuries of his own, the veteran at least understands how to operate a pro offense and won't be wasting another year of elite WR Justin Jefferson. Toss in Jordan Addison, T.J. Hockenson and Jauan Jennings, and there's a multi-layer talent pool for Murray to rely on in a bounce-back bid. His legs are still dangerous enough to enhance his adequate aerial offerings. Murray's upside is evident, but the floor is shaky.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | ARI | 8 | 1,799 | 10 | 5 | 0 | 18 | 244 | 3 | 0 | 169.4 |
| 2024 | ARI | 17 | 3,851 | 21 | 11 | 2 | 30 | 572 | 5 | 4 | 346.8 |
| 2025 | ARI | 5 | 962 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 16 | 173 | 1 | 1 | 90.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 3,762 | 24 | 12 | 2 | 32 | 414 | 4 | 2 | 333.5 |

## 17

## JAXSON DART

6-2/223/AGE: 23

**EFP: 327.4**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Dart's legs and durability will dictate whether or not he outshines this modest projection. He probably will.

The 2025 first-rounder hit the ground running in his Week 4 starting debut, rattling off 54 yards and a TD. He'd go on to post at least 21 fantasy points in seven straight outings before a Week 10 concussion cost him multiple games. Dart returned in Week 13 and was mostly sluggish as a runner the rest of the way. The Giants hired head coach John Harbaugh and Matt Nagy (OC) to stabilize the franchise. Dart has a better supporting cast, but he's ranked down here as the passing game is still a work in progress, and the injury concern is elevated.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | NYG | 14 | 2,272 | 15 | 5 | 0 | 35 | 487 | 9 | 2 | 269.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 3,282 | 21 | 9 | 1 | 37 | 523 | 7 | 3 | 327.4 |

JAXSON DART

## 18

## SAM DARNOLD

6-3/225/AGE: 29

**EFP: 313.3**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The lack of anything on the ground really limits what Darnold brings to a fantasy lineup. He's a match-up-based fill-in.

Do you hear that silence? Those are Darnold's doubters. After a breakout 2024 season in Minnesota, he signed with Seattle to the sneers of many, and the former USC star had the last laugh with the Lombardi Trophy in his hands. Fantasy-wise, Darnold is a modest backup target who contributes almost nothing as a runner and still throws more picks than you'd like to see. Among full-time starters in 2025, Darnold ranked third in interception rate (2.9%). With Jaxon Smith-Njigba, Cooper Kupp and Rashid Shaheed on his side, he's at least a competent backup.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SF | 10 | 297 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 15 | 1 | 1 | 27.4 |
| 2024 | MIN | 17 | 4,319 | 35 | 12 | 3 | 48 | 212 | 1 | 4 | 363.2 |
| 2025 | SEA | 17 | 4,048 | 25 | 14 | 2 | 27 | 95 | 0 | 6 | 289.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 4,039 | 28 | 11 | 2 | 29 | 123 | 1 | 4 | 313.3 |

## 19

## BROCK PURDY

6-1/220/AGE: 26

**EFP: 313.0**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

If Purdy can stay healthy and George Kittle doesn't miss time, this ranking will prove too low. This is a floor projection and subject to improve on our website.

Injuries are becoming part of the equation when considering Purdy, but he's remained productive despite the setbacks and talent losses around him. He enters 2026 healthy and with an upgrade in Mike Evans at wideout, though TE George Kittle is recovering from a torn Achilles. Last year, Purdy played only nine games but averaged a career-best 23.2 fantasy points. While not a run-first quarterback, he still offers bonus rushing value. Due to durability concerns, this is a floor ranking. Bump him up closer to the fringe QB1 range if you're willing to risk it.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SF | 16 | 4,280 | 31 | 11 | 5 | 28 | 144 | 2 | 2 | 349.4 |
| 2024 | SF | 15 | 3,864 | 20 | 12 | 5 | 31 | 323 | 5 | 3 | 317.5 |
| 2025 | SF | 9 | 2,167 | 20 | 10 | 2 | 11 | 147 | 3 | 2 | 209.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 3,777 | 26 | 10 | 3 | 27 | 181 | 3 | 3 | 313.0 |

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TYLER SHOUGH

## 20

## TYLER SHOUGH

6-5/219/AGE: 26

**EFP: 305.7**

BYE WEEK: 8

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

A massive leap in Year 2 is within Shough's reach, and he's bound to rise throughout the summer with positive reports. The upside is real.

Shough turns 27 by the end of September, and his maturity was on display in 2025. He finished with 10 passing scores, three rushing TDs, six picks and a respectable 17.1 fantasy points per game in 11 appearances. Over the last six games, though, Shough's floor was 20.2, and he ended on a high note with consecutive 25-plus-pointers. New Orleans bolstered his supporting cast with RB Travis Etienne Jr. in free agency and WR Jordyn Tyson in Round 1. His protection improved, too. The ceiling is high, and the floor is pretty solid. Shough has breakout potential in this proven offensive system. He's a No. 2 with unprojected upside.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | NO | 11 | 2,384 | 10 | 6 | 2 | 31 | 186 | 3 | 2 | 187.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 3,503 | 22 | 9 | 3 | 37 | 255 | 5 | 2 | 305.7 |

## 21

## PATRICK MAHOMES

6-2/225/AGE: 30

**EFP: 304.6**

BYE WEEK:5

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Yes, he's "ahead of schedule." Yes, he's Patrick Mahomes. Yes, this is a floor ranking. Expect his value to approach QB14 range if positive reports continue.

The fantasy stardom we came to love from Mahomes feels like a distant memory. He's recovering from a December torn ACL and is ahead of schedule, but Week 1 isn't a lock yet. Head coach Andy Reid would be foolish to risk a setback with Justin Fields being a capable fill-in. Upon Mahomes' return, his line play should be better, and there's no shortage of receiving options with Rashee Rice, Xavier Worthy and Travis Kelce. Mahomes hasn't topped 4k yards in two seasons and hasn't broken the 400-point fantasy barrier since 2022. He's a high-caliber backup if the knee responds well.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | KC | 16 | 4,183 | 27 | 14 | 4 | 27 | 389 | 0 | 3 | 336.1 |
| 2024 | KC | 16 | 3,928 | 26 | 11 | 3 | 36 | 307 | 2 | 0 | 339.3 |
| 2025 | KC | 14 | 3,587 | 22 | 11 | 2 | 34 | 422 | 5 | 0 | 332.6 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 3,430 | 26 | 10 | 2 | 34 | 291 | 2 | 1 | 304.6 |

## 22

## C.J. STROUD

6-3/218/AGE: 24

**EFP: 289.8**

BYE WEEK: 8

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The lack of rushing ability might be his biggest drawback, but Stroud is closer to being off a fantasy roster than your starter right now.

Stroud enters Year 4 having failed to capture his rookie magic over the past two seasons. Houston has a wealth of talent assembled around him, so there's no excuse for not taking a leap in 2026. To his benefit, the offensive line beefed up, which helps a great deal, and Houston's running game should be stronger. Tank Dell has a chance to return from a horrific knee injury in 2024, and Nico Collins is a true WR1. Stroud just doesn't do enough with his legs to overcome pedestrian passing stats, and injuries are a factor to consider.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | HOU | 15 | 4,108 | 23 | 5 | 6 | 38 | 167 | 3 | 4 | 322.1 |
| 2024 | HOU | 17 | 3,727 | 20 | 12 | 2 | 52 | 233 | 0 | 4 | 269.7 |
| 2025 | HOU | 14 | 3,041 | 19 | 8 | 1 | 23 | 209 | 1 | 0 | 247.0 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 3,654 | 23 | 9 | 3 | 31 | 221 | 1 | 2 | 289.8 |

## 23

## BRYCE YOUNG

5-10/204/AGE: 25

**EFP: 284.3**

BYE WEEK: 5

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

While it's easy to appreciate the strides Young has made, weekly matchup plays are his future in 2026 fantasy lineups.

Speaking of a make-or-break situation, Young improved across the board in 2025, completing 63.6% of his throws, surpassing 3,000 yards, tossing 23 touchdowns and averaging 16.2 fantasy points — all career highs. Unfortunately, only one-third of his appearances were even useful as a fantasy starter, and Young needs to take another jump in Year 4 if he's to be viewed as anything more than a matchup play in fake football. The weaponry didn't improve, and the offensive line has a question at left tackle as Ikem Ekwonu recovers from a January patellar tendon rupture.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CAR | 16 | 2,877 | 11 | 10 | 1 | 62 | 253 | 0 | 6 | 195.2 |
| 2024 | CAR | 14 | 2,403 | 15 | 9 | 0 | 29 | 249 | 6 | 2 | 228.1 |
| 2025 | CAR | 16 | 3,011 | 23 | 11 | 2 | 27 | 216 | 2 | 4 | 259.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 3,201 | 24 | 9 | 2 | 25 | 232 | 3 | 2 | 284.3 |

BRYCE YOUNG

## 24

## AARON RODGERS

6-2/223/AGE: 42

**EFP: 274.8**

BYE WEEK: 9

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Assuming he does indeed play, it'll be in Pittsburgh. Assuming he stays healthy, Rodgers still can spin it well enough to post an occasional top-15 result.

Now that we know that Rodgers is playing, what can we expect from him? He turns 43 in December, for starters, but he played pretty well in 2025 in Arthur Smith's neutered offense. Head coach Mike McCarthy replaces Mike Tomlin, giving Rodgers a familiar face in a proven system, so that's a plus. Pittsburgh added WR Michael Pittman Jr. via trade and signed RB Rico Dowdle. Rookie Germie Bernard gives the offense more range. Still, Rodgers is a matchup play, in line with throwing the 13th-most TDs a year ago.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NYJ | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 2024 | NYJ | 17 | 3,897 | 28 | 11 | 1 | 40 | 107 | 0 | 2 | 304.6 |
| 2025 | PIT | 16 | 3,322 | 24 | 7 | 0 | 29 | 61 | 1 | 1 | 267.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 3,519 | 25 | 8 | 0 | 33 | 48 | 1 | 2 | 274.8 |

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DANIEL JONES

## 25

## DANIEL JONES

6-5/230/AGE: 29

**EFP: 250.1**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Everything hinges on his Achilles recovery and how it will impact Jones' rushing prowess. The juice isn't worth the squeeze in 2026 as more than a weak backup.

A Week 14 Achilles tear ended Jones' rebound campaign, his first year with the Colts. He is on track for Week 1, but there's more downside than reward here. It typically takes around 18 months before the mobility returns after an Achilles injury, and rushing is a major portion of his fantasy profile, as Jones ran for five TDs in 2025. Now, it doesn't take much to plunge in from the 1, but the risk is outsized. Indy traded WR Michael Pittman Jr., re-signed Alec Pierce and downgraded at right tackle with Braden Smith's departure.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NYG | 6 | 909 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 30 | 206 | 1 | 1 | 72.1 |
| 2024 | NYG | 10 | 2,070 | 8 | 7 | 0 | 29 | 265 | 2 | 2 | 163.0 |
| 2025 | IND | 13 | 3,101 | 19 | 8 | 2 | 22 | 164 | 5 | 3 | 265.5 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 3,077 | 20 | 10 | 1 | 29 | 142 | 3 | 3 | 250.1 |

## 26

## CAM WARD

6-2/219/AGE: 24

**EFP: 246.3**

**BYE WEEK: 9**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Be wary of a sophomore quarterback who is rehabbing a bum throwing shoulder. Leave Ward for the wire and DFS plays.

Ward is coming off a Grade 2 AC joint injury in his throwing shoulder, which didn't require surgery, but any setback would chip away at his velocity and create potential future damage worries. Gloom and doom aside, the 2025 No. 1 overall pick has the requisite talent and acquitted himself well enough, all things considered, as a rookie. He gets an upgrade in coaching and has more talent around him after the Titans spent the fourth overall pick on WR Carnell Tate and signed veteran Wan'Dale Robinson. Ward is a superflex QB3 and should be avoided in redraft leagues.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | TEN | 17 | 3,169 | 15 | 7 | 0 | 55 | 159 | 2 | 7 | 225.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 3,390 | 18 | 9 | 1 | 43 | 178 | 1 | 5 | 246.3 |

## 27

## JACOBY BRISSETT

6-4/235/AGE: 33

**EFP: 235.4**

**BYE WEEK: 14**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Brissett will likely give way to Carson Beck at some point, rendering his season-long numbers worse than what you can expect in the first half of 2026.

After five games with at least 24 fantasy points last year, Brissett topped that number only twice over the final seven games. While he filled in admirably when Kyler Murray went down, no one should view him as more than a late-round QB2 if you invested in a premium starter. Arizona drafted Carson Beck in Round 3 as the presumed future starter, and Gardner Minshew II enters the picture as the primary backup, so Arizona has options if Brissett struggles.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | WAS | 3 | 224 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 25.1 |
| 2024 | NE | 8 | 826 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 18 | 62 | 0 | 1 | 54.5 |
| 2025 | ARI | 14 | 3,366 | 23 | 8 | 4 | 43 | 168 | 1 | 4 | 269.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 3,122 | 21 | 12 | 3 | 37 | 133 | 0 | 3 | 235.4 |

JACOBY BRISSETT

## 28

## MALIK WILLIS

6-1/225/AGE: 27

**EFP: 228.1**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Raw athleticism and untapped potential only go so far on draft day, especially when you throw in a lack of weaponry.

Green Bay needed Willis to bail them out in 2025 when Jordan Love went down, and the Liberty product earned himself bank in the process. While the 36.4-point explosion vs. Baltimore in Week 17 was exceptional, Willis is severely lacking as a passer and remains wholly dependent on his legs for fantasy purposes. He has thrown more than 20 passes only twice in his four-year career (22 appearances), and he has never tossed multiple TDs in a game. In Miami, he has suspect weapons and a shaky line and is likely set up to fail. Tread carefully.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | TEN | 3 | 74 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 21 | 0 | 1 | 3.8 |
| 2024 | GB | 7 | 550 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 138 | 1 | 1 | 57.3 |
| 2025 | GB | 4 | 422 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 123 | 2 | 1 | 55.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 1,992 | 11 | 8 | 0 | 40 | 585 | 7 | 4 | 228.1 |

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GENO SMITH

## 29

## GENO SMITH

6-2/221/AGE: 35

**EFP: 224.7**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

Smith returns to the Jets with hopes of truly completing the redemption arc, but that's a foolish bet after he led the league in interceptions, and he has only so-so weaponry at his disposal. Sure, Garrett Wilson and Breece Hall are cornerstones, but beyond them, Smith is counting on two rookies and a one-trick pony in Adonai Mitchell. Positively, the offensive line isn't terrible, and Smith is an underrated runner. With rookie Cade Klubnik awaiting his turn if the season goes sideways, the almost-36-year-old is merely a waiver target for matchups when a warm body is required to fill a lineup void.

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Late-round backup QBs either should solidify a risky QB1 or give you wild upside behind a boring starter. Geno Smith does neither of those things.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SEA | 15 | 3,624 | 20 | 9 | 4 | 31 | 155 | 1 | 3 | 272.5 |
| 2024 | SEA | 17 | 4,320 | 21 | 15 | 5 | 50 | 272 | 2 | 0 | 324.2 |
| 2025 | LV | 15 | 3,025 | 19 | 17 | 1 | 55 | 109 | 0 | 1 | 221.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 3,098 | 18 | 14 | 1 | 42 | 98 | 1 | 2 | 224.7 |

## 30

## SHEDEUR SANDERS

6-2/212/AGE: 24

**EFP: 207.2**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

The second-year quarterback will enter training camp in a battle with Deshaun Watson for the starting job, and some reports point to the veteran having a leg up. However, there's a new regime, and it stands to reason they'll want to know what they have in Sanders. Even if Watson opens Week 1 under center, he'll be 31 in September, is coming off yet another massive injury and hasn't played well since 2020. The best advice we can give you: Avoid Cleveland quarterbacks altogether.

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Even with Deshaun Watson reportedly ahead in the early battle, how long will he last? Sanders deserves a shot the moment Watson struggles.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | CLE | 8 | 1,400 | 7 | 10 | 1 | 23 | 169 | 1 | 1 | 108.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 2,622 | 14 | 11 | 0 | 35 | 231 | 2 | 2 | 207.2 |

## 31

## TUA TAGOVAILOA

6-1/225/AGE: 28

**EFP: 198.4**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

Michael Penix Jr. was a surprise selection with the No. 8 overall pick in 2024 after Kirk Cousins inked a massive deal. Fast forward to present day, and it's now Tua who is expected to quarterback the Falcons under new head coach Kevin Stefanski as Penix recovers from his third torn ACL, an injury suffered in Week 11 that is likely to keep him out most, if not all, of 2026. Tagovailoa has shown he can offer matchup-based fantasy utility when he's at his best, but injuries, erratic play and doing nothing with his legs really hamstring the veteran's value.

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Tua would get ranked in the mid-20s if we knew for sure that Atlanta would shut down Michael Penix Jr. for the entire year. Instead, Tagovailoa is a weak QB3 flier.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | MIA | 17 | 4,624 | 29 | 14 | 5 | 29 | 74 | 0 | 5 | 330.6 |
| 2024 | MIA | 11 | 2,867 | 19 | 7 | 4 | 21 | 49 | 0 | 2 | 217.3 |
| 2025 | MIA | 14 | 2,660 | 20 | 15 | 1 | 30 | 43 | 0 | 1 | 202.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 2,828 | 17 | 11 | 1 | 31 | 40 | 0 | 2 | 198.4 |

## 32

## KIRK COUSINS

6-3/205/AGE: 38

**EFP: 189.6**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

It was a foregone conclusion that the Raiders would draft Fernando Mendoza No. 1 overall, but new head coach Klint Kubiak has publicly stated that he isn't keen on throwing a rookie into the fire. Enter Cousins, who comes over after a forgettable stint with Atlanta that padded his bank far more than the stat sheet. He turns 38 before the season kicks off, and while he's still capable of managing an offense, there's nothing to see here in fantasy, especially with Mendoza looming.

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

While new HC Klint Kubiak wants a veteran to start, Fernando Mendoza is the No. 1 overall pick, and Cousins is 38 with diminished skills. It's only a matter of time...

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | MIN | 8 | 2,331 | 18 | 5 | 4 | 17 | 25 | 0 | 4 | 178.1 |
| 2024 | ATL | 14 | 3,508 | 18 | 16 | 3 | 28 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 227.4 |
| 2025 | ATL | 10 | 1,721 | 10 | 5 | 1 | 13 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 125.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 2,709 | 16 | 7 | 1 | 31 | 11 | 0 | 2 | 189.6 |

FERNANDO MENDOZA

## 33

## FERNANDO MENDOZA

6-5/225/AGE: 22

**EFP: 109.0**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

The reigning Heisman Trophy winner went No. 1 overall to Las Vegas in a selection that surprised absolutely nobody. He will transition to the pro-style offense and has to acclimate to playing under center, so expect a learning curve once he makes his way onto the field. It's unlikely we'll see Mendoza in the early going, as head coach Klint Kubiak wants veteran Kirk Cousins to steer the ship. Mendoza's redraft league value is low, but he has a midrange QB1 ceiling in dynasty formats come 2028.

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

While Mendoza likely won't start Week 1, it's silly to think he won't start at all. Vegas is not playoff-bound, and Kirk Cousins is old and slow. Tick tock.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 1,333 | 7 | 5 | 1 | 11 | 93 | 2 | 1 | 109.0 |

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## 34

## JUSTIN FIELDS

6-3/227/AGE: 27

**EFP: 48.1**

**BYE WEEK: 5**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Among likely backups, Fields is in the best fantasy situation. Will significant playing time come his way? Doubtful, but he's a priority waiver add if it does.

Fields has thrown 12 touchdowns to just two picks in his past 19 appearances, which may surprise some people, but he has averaged only a touchdown per game in contests with at least 20 attempts dating back to 2024. Top-end rushing skills are what put him on the fantasy radar, and now he learns under Andy Reid with Patrick Mahomes rehabbing a torn ACL. Reid gets to teach Fields all summer before deciding to risk putting his franchise QB on the field too soon. Mahomes is ahead of schedule, so monitor his status in camp.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CHI | 13 | 2,562 | 16 | 9 | 1 | 44 | 657 | 4 | 4 | 264.8 |
| 2024 | PIT | 10 | 1,106 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 16 | 289 | 5 | 1 | 131.2 |
| 2025 | NYJ | 9 | 1,259 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 27 | 383 | 4 | 3 | 156.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 213 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 244 | 2 | 1 | 48.1 |

## 35

## DESHAUN WATSON

6-3/223/AGE: 31

**EFP: 47.8**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

If you're a believer after a four-year hiatus from relevance, be our guest. Shedeur Sanders is a safer bet, not that either is fantasy-relevant.

Early reports point to Watson as the front-runner for Cleveland's starting job, so this projection is probably too low, but the summation of it all: He's irrelevant in fantasy. Even if Watson wins the job, the talent around him is only decent, and that includes multiple rookies who'll need to ascend in a hurry. Shedeur Sanders is younger and arguably better at this point than a quarterback we haven't seen play meaningful football since 2020 after scandals and severe injuries derailed a once-promising career. In any case, fantasy gamers ought to punt entirely on Cleveland quarterbacks.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CLE | 6 | 1,115 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 17 | 142 | 1 | 2 | 102.0 |
| 2024 | CLE | 7 | 1,148 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 33 | 148 | 1 | 3 | 91.2 |
| 2025 | CLE | DNP - INJURED | | | | | | | | | |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 399 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 88 | 1 | 2 | 47.8 |

DESHAUN WATSON

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## 36

## MICHAEL PENIX JR.

6-3/220/AGE: 26

**EFP: 44.6**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Penix is recovering from a third ACL tear, and he holds no fantasy value at this time. Tua Tagovailoa realistically could start every game.

Coming off a third torn ACL, the latest suffered in Week 11, Penix is not expected to see the field without Tua Tagovailoa struggling or missing time. The 2024 eighth overall pick has posted a few fantasy-relevant games in his short tenure with Atlanta, but he never was particularly mobile, and accuracy has been an issue. Kevin Stefanski takes over as head coach, which could help with the latter, but no fantasy manager should expect to see Penix before midseason, if at all, in 2026. It's this simple: If Tua plays well and stays healthy, Penix will get a redshirt year.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | ATL | 5 | 775 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 54.9 |
| 2025 | ATL | 9 | 1,982 | 9 | 3 | 1 | 13 | 70 | 1 | 2 | 143.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 718 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 17 | 0 | 1 | 44.6 |

MICHAEL PENIX JR.

## 37

## MAC JONES

6-3/220/AGE: 28

**EFP: 33.7**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

If Brock Purdy remains as sturdy as a Jenga tower in a room full of toddlers, we'll see Jones play a role in fantasy lineups again this year.

Jones' career was derailed after a promising rookie season only to be revitalized under Kyle Shanahan in 2025 as Brock Purdy missed time yet again. In eight appearances, Jones threw for two-plus TDs five times and topped 275 yards in all but three showings. He was a legit QB1 option with Purdy out, and few backups present as much stable fantasy utility as Jones would if he were granted another chance in 2026.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NE | 11 | 2,120 | 10 | 12 | 1 | 22 | 96 | 0 | 2 | 139.6 |
| 2024 | JAC | 10 | 1,672 | 8 | 8 | 0 | 14 | 92 | 1 | 2 | 120.8 |
| 2025 | SF | 11 | 2,151 | 13 | 6 | 3 | 16 | 60 | 0 | 2 | 157.6 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 430 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 32 | 0 | 1 | 33.7 |

## 38

## QUINN EWERS

6-2/209/AGE: 23

**EFP: 23.4**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

His fear of throwing farther than seven feet at a time is alarming yet hilarious. He really puts the "ew" in Ewers.

Dinking and dunking his way through limited action in 2025, Ewers gets a fresh start with a new coaching staff, but the incoming regime opted to invest heavily in Malik Willis' respectable play in just a handful of appearances. Ewers won't see action without an injury paving the way, and even then, he's a bottom-tier consideration in any format due to weak weaponry and a passive playing style.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | MIA | 4 | 622 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 8 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 42.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 321 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 23.4 |

## 39 JAMEIS WINSTON

6-4/231/AGE: 32

**EFP: 22.3**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

You must admit, it's a fun ride watching Jameis Winston play football. He's a high-level option if Jaxson Dart goes down.

Last year, Jaxson Dart showed flashes of being a legitimate NFL starter as a rookie, but we also saw reckless running in the open field that begs for injuries. That is where Winston fits in. The only way managers can expect to see him chucking as many picks as TDs every week is if Dart gets hurt again. In that event, Winston would be a hot waiver add if you can stomach the turnovers.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NO | 7 | 264 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 2 | -6 | 0 | 0 | 17.6 |
| 2024 | CLE | 12 | 2,121 | 13 | 12 | 3 | 24 | 83 | 1 | 2 | 164.4 |
| 2025 | NYG | 3 | 567 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 23 | 1 | 1 | 51 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 331 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 17 | 0 | 1 | 22.3 |

## 40 RILEY LEONARD

6-4/213/AGE: 24

**EFP: 22.1**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Where's Philip Rivers when you need him? Leonard's only hope is rushing success if Daniel Jones misses time.

Unless Daniel Jones (Achilles injury last season) suffers a setback, he's expected to return for Week 1 and no later than Week 4, which drastically reduces any meaningful role for Leonard in fantasy. The only reason Leonard is even ranked this high is due to speculation about Jones' health and Leonard possessing some rushing ability to boost his potential fantasy worth.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | IND | 5 | 415 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 27 | 2 | 2 | 36.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 230 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 16 | 1 | 0 | 22.1 |

CARSON BECK

## 41 CARSON BECK

6-4/233/AGE: 24

**EFP: 19.2**

**BYE WEEK:14**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

If Gardner Minshew II weren't the QB2, Beck would be higher on this list. Still, Beck should take over for Jacoby Brissett eventually this year.

With excellent size at 6-foot-4, 233 pounds, plus plenty of arm strength, Beck is a classic pocket passer with a bright NFL future. As a rookie, he's buried behind a pair of veterans, and it's likely both will be on the field ahead of him as long as Arizona is competitive. Despite turnover concerns and limited athleticism, Beck has the tools to develop into a starter and fantasy contributor, but he's merely a late-season waiver curiosity in superflex leagues this year and best viewed as a multiyear stash in dynasty formats before anyone should trust him in a lineup.

| Year | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | 279 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 19.2 |

## 42 CADE KLUBNIK

6-2/207/AGE: 22

**EFP: 19.0**

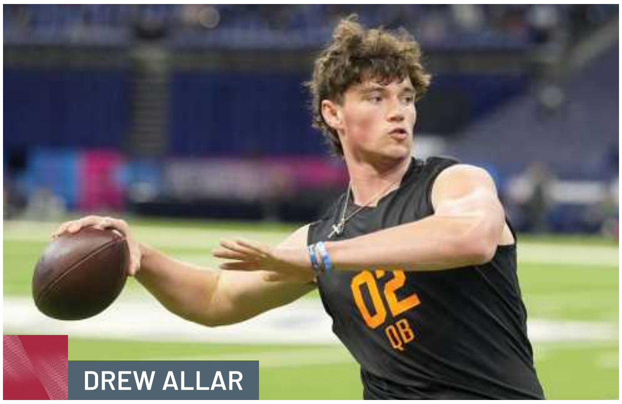
**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Klubnik probably plays a few games late in the season, and you probably shouldn't care. Check back in 2027.

Acquiring Geno Smith via trade to bring his career full circle is a fun story, and the Jets waiting until the fourth round to draft a quarterback strongly implies we'll see the veteran under center until the wings fall off this plane. Klubnik's game translates more to glorified game manager, and he isn't likely to hold immediate fantasy value if opportunity comes knocking. He has some athleticism and is experienced as a winner with three years starting at Clemson as a 5-star recruit, but durability and a capped ceiling are concerns for fantasy.

| Year | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | 311 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 34 | 0 | 1 | 19.0 |



DREW ALLAR

## 43 DREW ALLAR

6-5/235/AGE: 22

**EFP: 18.3**

**BYE WEEK: 9**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

If Aaron Rodgers gets hurt or doesn't play, the Steelers have nothing to lose by turning to this former Nittany Lion and fast-tracking his development.

Pittsburgh invested a third-round pick in Allar after taking Will Howard in the sixth last year, and veteran backup Mason Rudolph returns to form a triumvirate of mediocrity. None of these guys will matter if Aaron Rodgers returns as expected. Allar was granted the preliminary benefit of the doubt here because we know what Rudolph is as a pro, and Pittsburgh wouldn't have burned the 76th pick on Allar if Howard were the future. Best-case scenario for the rookie: Rodgers quits, Allar wins the job and fantasy managers get a shaky QB3 in superflex leagues this year with dynasty upside.

| Year | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | 251 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 18.3 |

## 44 J.J. MCCARTHY

6-3/219/AGE: 23

**EFP: 16.6**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Don't be surprised if we haven't seen the last of McCarthy in Minnesota. Kyler Murray has a lengthy injury rap sheet.

The first two years of the Michigan Wolverine's NFL career really couldn't have gone much worse. Between a preseason knee injury in 2024 and then an injury- and mistake-marred sophomore campaign on a team that was built for the playoffs, McCarthy quickly earned the dreaded "bust" label. As a result, Minnesota fired its GM and turned to veteran Kyler Murray to quarterback this offense. Murray is also no stranger to injuries, so that appears the only likely path to playing time for McCarthy in 2026.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | MIN | | | | DNP - INJURED | | | | | | |
| 2025 | MIN | 10 | 1,632 | 11 | 12 | 0 | 27 | 181 | 4 | 2 | 153.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 149 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 21 | 1 | 1 | 16.6 |

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## 45

## TYLER HUNTLEY

6-1/204/AGE: 28

**EFP: 14.0**

BYE WEEK: 13

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Even when he's had the chance to play, Huntley has been irrelevant for fantasy lineups.

Baltimore continues to stick with Huntley behind Lamar Jackson, largely because it means the offensive structure won't have to drastically change. Even with his rushing ability, Snoop has managed to matter exactly once for fantasy purposes in the last 10 games with at least 10 passing attempts.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BAL | 5 | 203 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 55 | 0 | 0 | 27.7 |
| 2024 | MIA | 5 | 829 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 15 | 135 | 2 | 2 | 72.0 |
| 2025 | BAL | 5 | 426 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 151 | 0 | 0 | 44.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 139 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 14.0 |

TYLER HUNTLEY

## 46

## MITCHELL TRUBISKY

6-2/220/AGE: 32

**EFP: 13.9**

BYE WEEK: 9

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

For the love of all that is holy, please, football gods, don't make anyone watch Trubisky.

The career journeyman moves to Tennessee and reunites with offensive coordinator Brian Daboll after they spent the 2021 season together in Buffalo. Unless Cam Ward misses extended time and Trubisky pulls off a Sam Darnold-like resurrection, there's nothing to see here in any fantasy format.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | PIT | 5 | 632 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 7 | 54 | 2 | 1 | 60.0 |
| 2024 | BUF | 9 | 179 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 17.1 |
| 2025 | BUF | 4 | 313 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 34.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 181 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 13.9 |

## 47

## JARRETT STIDHAM

6-3/215/AGE: 30

**EFP: 12.8**

BYE WEEK: 10

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

He had his chance and blew it in such a catastrophic way that Bo Nix would play on two broken ankles to avoid that happening again.

Even though Bo Nix underwent a second surgery on his ankle, there's no reason to expect that we'll see Stidham for anything other than cleanup work in 2026 barring an unexpected setback to the starter. The veteran Stidham wilted in the AFC Championship Game in Denver this past January and has yet to establish himself in any meaningful way that translates to fantasy.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DEN | 3 | 496 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 32.6 |
| 2024 | DEN | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0.5 |
| 2025 | DEN | | | | | DNP | | | | | |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 113 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 41 | 0 | 0 | 12.8 |

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## 48

## WILL HOWARD

6-4/235/AGE: 24

**EFP: 11.4**

BYE WEEK: 9

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Would the front office really have drafted a local QB prospect if they were confident in Will Howard starting?

Operating under the presumption that Aaron Rodgers will indeed return to the Steelers, Howard would be devoid of fantasy value. If Rodgers retires, Howard will battle Mason Rudolph and Drew Allar for the starting gig. The fact Pittsburgh drafted the latter tells you everything about how they view Howard.

| Year | Team | GP | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | PIT | | | | DNP | | | | | | |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 92 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 28 | 0 | 0 | 11.4 |

## 49

## TAYLEN GREEN

6-5/227/AGE: 23

**EFP: 11.4**

BYE WEEK: 11

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

It will be a small miracle if he's actually a QB and not a WR by the end of 2026.

Green's raw athleticism could find him thrown into action on trick plays or as a sneaky runner around the goal line, but he is not expected to see time under center. In the long term, it's questionable whether Green even stays at quarterback. He has more worth if Cleveland gives him the Taysom Hill treatment.

| Year | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | 19 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 44 | 1 | 0 | 11.4 |

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## 50

## TY SIMPSON

6-1/211/AGE: 23

**EFP: 11.1**

BYE WEEK: 11

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Only 15 starts at Bama doesn't scream NFL-ready, and L.A. hopes he doesn't see the field by necessity.

Los Angeles surprised many by taking Simpson 13th overall amid discussion of a contract extension with Matthew Stafford merely months after an MVP season. Barring an injury to the 38-year-old veteran, Simpson will see the field only in mop-up duty or a Week 18 resting scenario. He's a developmental prospect who may be two-plus years away from even starting.

| Year | Pass Yds | Pass TDs | INT | 300 YG | Sacked | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fum-lost | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | 133 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 11.1 |

BIJON ROBINSON

# RB

## STAFF TOP 12s

| LUKE EASTERLING | CRAIG ELLENPORT | MARK ROSS | CORY BONINI | KYLE WOOD |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Jahmyr Gibbs | 1. Jahmyr Gibbs | 1. Jahmyr Gibbs | 1. Bijan Robinson | 1. Bijan Robinson |
| 2. Bijan Robinson | 2. Bijan Robinson | 2. Bijan Robinson | 2. Jahmyr Gibbs | 2. Jahmyr Gibbs |
| 3. Christian McCaffrey | 3. Christian McCaffrey | 3. Christian McCaffrey | 3. Christian McCaffrey | 3. Christian McCaffrey |
| 4. Jonathan Taylor | 4. Jonathan Taylor | 4. Jonathan Taylor | 4. Jonathan Taylor | 4. James Cook III |
| 5. James Cook III | 5. Ashton Jeanty | 5. James Cook III | 5. Ashton Jeanty | 5. Jonathan Taylor |
| 6. De'Von Achane | 6. James Cook III | 6. Ashton Jeanty | 6. James Cook III | 6. De'Von Achane |
| 7. Saquon Barkley | 7. De'Von Achane | 7. Saquon Barkley | 7. De'Von Achane | 7. Saquon Barkley |
| 8. Chase Brown | 8. Saquon Barkley | 8. De'Von Achane | 8. Breece Hall | 8. Chase Brown |
| 9. Jeremiyah Love | 9. Chase Brown | 9. Kyren Williams | 9. Javonte Williams | 9. Ashton Jeanty |
| 10. Ashton Jeanty | 10. Omarion Hampton | 10. Breece Hall | 10. Saquon Barkley | 10. Derrick Henry |
| 11. Omarion Hampton | 11. Jeremiyah Love | 11. Josh Jacobs | 11. Josh Jacobs | 11. Josh Jacobs |
| 12. Kenneth Walker III | 12. Derrick Henry | 12. Kenneth Walker III | 12. Kyren Williams | 12. Omarion Hampton |

| | LUKE EASTERLING | CRAIG ELLENPORT | MARK ROSS | CORY BONINI | KYLE WOOD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Top Rookie | Jeremiyah Love | Jeremiyah Love | Jeremiyah Love | Jadarian Price | Jeremiyah Love |
| Sleeper | Bhayshul Tuten | Quinshon Judkins | TreVeyon Henderson | Rachaad White | David Montgomery |
| Deep Sleeper | Tyrone Tracy Jr. | Jonathon Brooks | Bhayshul Tuten | Demond Claiborne | Kyle Monangai |
| Bounce-Back | Bucky Irving | Bucky Irving | Omarion Hampton | Alvin Kamara | Saquon Barkley |
| Bust | David Montgomery | Breece Hall | RJ Harvey | Bhayshul Tuten | Kenneth Walker III |
| Injury Risk | Christian McCaffrey | Christian McCaffrey | Cam Skattebo | Christian McCaffrey | Christian McCaffrey |

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## 2026 RANKINGS

| | Rk | Player | Team | Bye |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ | 1 | Bijan Robinson | ATL | 11 |
| ☐ | 2 | Jahmyr Gibbs | DET | 6 |
| ☐ | 3 | Christian McCaffrey | SF | 8 |
| ☐ | 4 | Jonathan Taylor | IND | 13 |
| ☐ | 5 | Ashton Jeanty | LV | 13 |
| ☐ | 6 | James Cook III | BUF | 7 |
| ☐ | 7 | De'Von Achane | MIA | 6 |
| ☐ | 8 | Breece Hall | NYJ | 13 |
| ☐ | 9 | Javonte Williams | DAL | 14 |
| ☐ | 10 | Saquon Barkley | PHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 11 | Josh Jacobs | GB | 11 |
| ☐ | 12 | Kyren Williams | LAR | 11 |
| ☐ | 13 | Kenneth Walker III | KC | 5 |
| ☐ | 14 | Omarion Hampton | LAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 15 | Derrick Henry | BAL | 13 |
| ☐ | 16 | Chase Brown | CIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 17 | RJ Harvey | DEN | 10 |
| ☐ | 18 | TreVeyon Henderson | NE | 11 |
| ☐ | 19 | D'Andre Swift | CHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 20 | Quinshon Judkins | CLE | 11 |
| ☐ | 21 | Travis Etienne Jr. | NO | 8 |
| ☐ | 22 | Bucky Irving | TB | 10 |
| ☐ | 23 | Chuba Hubbard | CAR | 5 |
| ☐ | 24 | Cam Skattebo | NYG | 8 |
| ☐ | 25 | Jeremiyah Love (R) | ARI | 14 |
| ☐ | 26 | Rico Dowdle | PIT | 9 |
| ☐ | 27 | David Montgomery | HOU | 8 |
| ☐ | 28 | Tony Pollard | TEN | 9 |
| ☐ | 29 | Kyle Monangai | CHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 30 | Alvin Kamara | NO | 8 |
| ☐ | 31 | Jaylen Warren | PIT | 9 |
| ☐ | 32 | Jadarian Price (R) | SEA | 11 |
| ☐ | 33 | Rachaad White | WAS | 7 |
| ☐ | 34 | Rhamondre Stevenson | NE | 11 |
| ☐ | 35 | Woody Marks | HOU | 8 |
| ☐ | 36 | Aaron Jones Sr. | MIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 37 | Tyjae Spears | TEN | 9 |
| ☐ | 38 | Bhayshul Tuten | JAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 39 | Dylan Sampson | CLE | 11 |
| ☐ | 40 | Kenneth Gainwell | TB | 10 |
| ☐ | 41 | J.K. Dobbins | DEN | 10 |
| ☐ | 42 | Tyrone Tracy Jr. | NYG | 8 |
| ☐ | 43 | Blake Corum | LAR | 11 |
| ☐ | 44 | J. Croskey-Merritt | WAS | 7 |
| ☐ | 45 | James Conner | ARI | 14 |
| ☐ | 46 | Jordan Mason | MIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 47 | Isiah Pacheco | DET | 6 |
| ☐ | 48 | Isaiah Davis | NYJ | 13 |
| ☐ | 49 | Justice Hill | BAL | 13 |
| ☐ | 50 | Zach Charbonnet | SEA | 11 |
| ☐ | 51 | Tyler Allgeier | ARI | 14 |
| ☐ | 52 | Chris Rodriguez Jr. | JAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 53 | Devin Singletary | NYG | 8 |
| ☐ | 54 | Chris Brooks | GB | 11 |
| ☐ | 55 | LeQuint Allen Jr. | JAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 56 | Kimani Vidal | LAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 57 | Ty Johnson | BUF | 7 |
| ☐ | 58 | Emanuel Wilson | SEA | 11 |
| ☐ | 59 | Jaylen Wright | MIA | 6 |
| ☐ | 60 | Samaje Perine | CIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 61 | Jaydon Blue | DAL | 14 |
| ☐ | 62 | Demond Claiborne (R) | MIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 63 | Kaelon Black (R) | SF | 8 |
| ☐ | 64 | Brian Robinson Jr. | ATL | 11 |
| ☐ | 65 | Adam Randall (R) | BAL | 13 |
| ☐ | 66 | Ray Davis | BUF | 7 |
| ☐ | 67 | Kaytron Allen (R) | WAS | 7 |
| ☐ | 68 | Jonathon Brooks | CAR | 5 |
| ☐ | 69 | Brashard Smith | KC | 5 |
| ☐ | 70 | Sean Tucker | TB | 10 |

## INJURY CONCERNS

**JONATHON BROOKS, CAROLINA** Brooks re-tore his right ACL in December 2024, and Carolina's May 2025 PUP placement confirmed he would miss that entire season. The long layoff gives him a path toward returning in 2026, but repeated ACL damage to the same knee makes him a total unknown for fantasy. Will he have the same burst? Is he at greater risk of yet another tear? Drafting Brooks is risky business, folks.

ZACH CHARBONNET

**ZACH CHARBONNET, SEATTLE** Head coach Mike Macdonald said Charbonnet was "not going to miss the whole year" after a torn ACL on Jan. 17. The reconstruction typically takes nine months, which lines up with a likely October/November return. Seattle moved on from Kenneth Walker III after his brilliant Super Bowl display and spent the No. 32 overall choice on Jadarian Price after signing Emanuel Wilson in free agency. Charbonnet is merely a late-round fantasy flier at this point.

**JAMES CONNER, ARIZONA** Arizona confirmed that Conner underwent foot surgery last September, though the specific nature of the injury wasn't disclosed. Conner participated in the team's early-April offseason program, so he should be good for Week 1. However, in his age-31 season, Conner now has competition not only in the form of free-agent addition Tyler Allgeier, but also a more direct threat from No. 3 overall pick Jeremiyah Love.

**NAJEE HARRIS, FREE AGENT** Harris' early-season Achilles tear at least gives him a chance to play early in 2026, but backs coming off Achilles repairs usually experience limited burst for a year or so, and he already wasn't explosive. Harris remained a free agent as of early May.

**QUINSHON JUDKINS, CLEVELAND** The Browns hope to get Judkins on the field with an increased workload during training camp. He suffered a dislocated right ankle and fractured fibula in late December, so the team will take it easy on him until the real deal rolls around. Judkins should be ready to roll come Week 1.

**CAM SKATTEBO, NEW YORK GIANTS** The full severity of last season's gruesome injury includes a deltoid ligament tear, an ankle dislocation and a compound fracture. Skattebo was present for voluntary workouts in April, and the current expectation is that he has a chance for Week 1. Although the bruiser probably won't be at full strength right away, it's telling that the Giants felt comfortable not adding another back to their stable in the offseason.

## WORKLOAD WATCH

| Touch/Game: **3 Years** | | TCH | TPG | GP |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Bijan Robinson | 1,003 | 19.7 | 51 |
| 2 | Saquon Barkley | 983 | 21.4 | 46 |
| 3 | Derrick Henry | 974 | 19.1 | 51 |
| 4 | Kyren Williams | 905 | 20.1 | 45 |
| 5 | Tony Pollard | 883 | 17.7 | 50 |
| 6 | Jonathan Taylor | 878 | 21.4 | 41 |
| 7 | Josh Jacobs | 877 | 19.5 | 45 |
| 8 | James Cook III | 862 | 17.2 | 50 |
| 9 | Jahmyr Gibbs | 856 | 17.5 | 49 |
| 10 | Breece Hall | 844 | 17.2 | 49 |
| 11 | D'Andre Swift | 820 | 16.7 | 49 |
| 12 | Christian McCaffrey | 817 | 22.1 | 37 |
| 13 | Travis Etienne Jr. | 810 | 16.5 | 49 |
| 14 | Javonte Williams | 742 | 15.1 | 49 |
| 15 | Chuba Hubbard | 734 | 15.6 | 47 |

| Touch/Game: **2 Years** | | TCH | TPG | GP |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Bijan Robinson | 731 | 21.5 | 34 |
| 2 | Saquon Barkley | 695 | 21.7 | 32 |
| 3 | Jonathan Taylor | 690 | 22.3 | 31 |
| 4 | Derrick Henry | 666 | 19.6 | 34 |
| 5 | Kyren Williams | 645 | 19.6 | 33 |
| 6 | Jahmyr Gibbs | 622 | 18.3 | 34 |
| 7 | Josh Jacobs | 607 | 19.0 | 32 |
| 8 | De'Von Achane | 586 | 17.8 | 33 |
| 9 | Chase Brown | 584 | 17.7 | 33 |
| 10 | James Cook III | 581 | 17.6 | 33 |
| 11 | Tony Pollard | 576 | 17.5 | 33 |
| 12 | D'Andre Swift | 552 | 16.7 | 33 |
| 13 | Rico Dowdle | 549 | 16.6 | 33 |
| 14 | Breece Hall | 545 | 17.0 | 32 |
| 15 | Travis Etienne Jr. | 485 | 15.2 | 32 |

JAHMYR GIBBS

## 01

## BIJAN ROBINSON

5-11/215/AGE: 24

**EFP: 355.9**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Robinson's ability to contribute as a dual-threat running back makes him elite and the safest RB1 pick.

After consecutive 1,400-plus-yard rushing seasons, nitpicking Robinson's situation is about all we're left with. We'd be remiss without mentioning Bijan's 366 touches, which ranked third behind Christian McCaffrey and Jonathan Taylor. Mauling RT Kaleb McGary retired and was replaced by mistake-prone Jawaan Taylor. Tua Tagovailoa is in line to start at QB with Michael Penix Jr. rehabbing a third ACL tear. Finally, the offense is new under head coach Kevin Stefanski and coordinator Tommy Rees. That's not to say Robinson won't hit the ground running, but he's not entirely risk-free.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | ATL | 17 | 214 | 976 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 58 | 487 | 4 | 246.3 |
| 2024 | ATL | 17 | 304 | 1,456 | 14 | 5 | 0 | 61 | 431 | 1 | 341.7 |
| 2025 | ATL | 17 | 287 | 1,478 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 79 | 820 | 4 | 370.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 297 | 1,426 | 11 | 6 | 2 | 67 | 603 | 4 | 355.9 |

## 02

## JAHMYR GIBBS

5-9/202/AGE: 24

**EFP: 349.5**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Rare speed, agility, versatility and awareness to avoid huge hits make Gibbs among the top-five picks in all of fantasy.

The first running back selected in fantasy drafts this year will likely come down to Gibbs and Bijan Robinson. Despite sharing backfield duties with David Montgomery, Gibbs has been an absolute beast the past two seasons, averaging 1,884 combined yards and 19 touchdowns while appearing in every game. His time on the field has grown from playing 55.7% of the snaps in 2024 to 67.1% a year ago; there's no reason to expect regression with Isiah Pacheco replacing Montgomery. Durable, explosive and consistent, Gibbs is an elite back.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DET | 15 | 182 | 945 | 10 | 2 | 1 | 52 | 316 | 1 | 242.1 |
| 2024 | DET | 17 | 250 | 1,412 | 16 | 5 | 1 | 52 | 517 | 4 | 362.9 |
| 2025 | DET | 17 | 243 | 1,223 | 13 | 3 | 1 | 77 | 616 | 5 | 366.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 259 | 1,347 | 12 | 4 | 1 | 66 | 548 | 4 | 349.5 |

CHRISTIAN McCAFFREY

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## 03

## CHRISTIAN McCAFFREY

5-11/210/AGE: 30

**EFP: 343.8**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

This ranking all comes down to whether he can hold up after last year's absurd workload. His upside outweighs the riskiness of drafting CMC.

After a massive workload in 2023, McCaffrey was a huge injury liability heading into the next draft season, and a nagging calf issue limited him to just four games. In the face of lower expectations, McCaffrey would defy odds by racking up 102 catches, 17 total touchdowns and 2,126 offensive yards in 2025. His 413 touches were the most by a back since 2014 (DeMarco Murray), so will CMC break down in his age-30 season? Despite overwhelming risk, he's just too good to pass up among the top players. Handcuff him with Kaelon Black and/or Jordan James, depending on their camp battle results.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SF | 16 | 272 | 1,459 | 14 | 7 | 2 | 67 | 564 | 7 | 391.3 |
| 2024 | SF | 4 | 50 | 202 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 15 | 146 | 0 | 47.8 |
| 2025 | SF | 17 | 311 | 1,202 | 10 | 4 | 0 | 102 | 924 | 7 | 416.6 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 270 | 1,107 | 9 | 3 | 1 | 84 | 731 | 4 | 343.8 |

JONATHAN TAYLOR

## 04

## JONATHAN TAYLOR

5-10/226/AGE: 27

**EFP: 322.1**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The offense will run through Taylor as long as he's healthy. Bump him down if you'd like to go younger with Ashton Jeanty or De'Von Achane.

In an era of backfield committees, Taylor is a throwback. In 2025, the former Badger racked up 323 carries. His backup, DJ Giddens, had 26. Taylor finished with 1,963 yards from scrimmage and 20 total touchdowns despite defenses focusing on him once Daniel Jones was lost for the year — he was so explosive with Jones in the lineup that even though Taylor averaged 3.5 yards per carry or less in each of his final six games, he still averaged 4.9 YPC for the season. A true three-down contributor, Taylor is an elite fantasy producer.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | IND | 10 | 169 | 741 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 19 | 153 | 1 | 156.4 |
| 2024 | IND | 14 | 303 | 1,431 | 11 | 8 | 1 | 18 | 136 | 1 | 244.7 |
| 2025 | IND | 17 | 323 | 1,585 | 18 | 5 | 1 | 46 | 378 | 2 | 362.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 287 | 1,320 | 13 | 6 | 1 | 54 | 421 | 3 | 322.1 |

## 05

## ASHTON JEANTY

5-8/208/AGE: 22

**EFP: 306.9**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Vegas expects to improve, and it starts with Jeanty. You're buying elite talent in a workhorse role and hoping for a legitimate breakout in Year 2.

Drafted to a team with a clear need for an every-down back and led by a head coach with a history of featuring the run, Jeanty was a top-10 pick in many leagues. It didn't pay off. Although the then-rookie was the centerpiece offensively, and his 1,321 scrimmage yards and 10 total TDs were decent production, 343 yards and five TDs came in two games — in his other 15, Jeanty averaged just 65 yards. He'll again be heavily featured, whether Kirk Cousins or Fernando Mendoza is under center, and the hiring of head coach Klint Kubiak should help. There's potential for a Year 2 jump.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | LV | 17 | 266 | 975 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 55 | 346 | 5 | 245.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 303 | 1,273 | 8 | 4 | 1 | 66 | 436 | 4 | 306.9 |

## 06

## JAMES COOK III

5-11/190/AGE: 26

**EFP: 290.1**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

He's proved to be among the best at finding the end zone and staying on the field in the last couple years. If healthy, this is Cook's floor.

On the heels of a breakout 2024 season, the question remained whether the slight-framed Cook could repeat his elite scoring efficiency (16 TDs over 207 attempts). He answered the bell and then some, rushing 309 times (third in the league), 102 carries more than the prior year, and scored 12 rushing TDs on his way to a 1,621-yard season. The Georgia product increased his YPC from 4.9 to 5.2 while snagging 33 receptions at 8.8 per pop. Cook has averaged 16 offensive TDs in the past two seasons under offensive coordinator Joe Brady, who is now Buffalo's head coach.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BUF | 17 | 237 | 1,122 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 44 | 445 | 4 | 232.7 |
| 2024 | BUF | 16 | 207 | 1,009 | 16 | 4 | 0 | 32 | 258 | 2 | 266.7 |
| 2025 | BUF | 17 | 309 | 1,621 | 12 | 9 | 3 | 33 | 291 | 2 | 302.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 288 | 1,411 | 13 | 7 | 2 | 30 | 270 | 3 | 290.1 |

JAMES COOK III

## 07

## DE'VON ACHANE

5-9/191/AGE: 24

**EFP: 287.7**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

It's not easy to put your fantasy eggs in a basket with a broken handle and 10 holes, but Achane is too explosive to let slide out of RB1 status.

Achane exploded in 2025 thanks to 1,350 rushing yards and eight scores, averaging 5.7 per carry, and his 67-488-4 line through the air positioned him as PPR RB5. Miami wiped the slate in the offseason, and Achane is really the only player of note to return. New QB Malik Willis is a threat to steal rushing work, and the receiving corps is devoid of established weapons at the time of this writing. That's a Catch-22: more targets for Achane at the expense of greater defensive attention. He can do only so much on his own.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | MIA | 11 | 103 | 800 | 8 | 4 | 1 | 27 | 197 | 3 | 190.7 |
| 2024 | MIA | 17 | 203 | 907 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 78 | 592 | 6 | 299.9 |
| 2025 | MIA | 16 | 238 | 1,350 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 67 | 488 | 4 | 322.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 212 | 996 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 81 | 551 | 4 | 287.7 |

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## 08

## BREECE HALL

5-11/217/AGE: 25

**EFP: 268.4**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

This is based on talent, a contract year and Frank Reich stabilizing the offense. Risky, sure, but fantasy RB churn is real, and he's in his prime.

Hall enters his age-25 season, a time when many running backs are ready for a true breakout, fresh off his first 1,000-yard campaign. The Jets reworked the offense around him after franchise tagging him in March. Two first-round picks, WR Omar Cooper Jr. and TE Kenyon Sadiq, enter the fray; LG Dylan Parham comes over from Vegas; and QB Geno Smith gives the passing game some credibility. Hall does it all, and new OC Frank Reich will bring an experienced, steady hand as a play-caller. Hall's only real drawback is mild concern over competition for touches from Isaiah Davis and Braelon Allen.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NYJ | 17 | 223 | 994 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 76 | 591 | 4 | 290.5 |
| 2024 | NYJ | 16 | 209 | 876 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 57 | 483 | 3 | 240.9 |
| 2025 | NYJ | 16 | 243 | 1,065 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 36 | 350 | 1 | 207.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 276 | 1,214 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 54 | 470 | 2 | 268.4 |

JAVONTE WILLIAMS

## 09

## JAVONTE WILLIAMS

5-10/222/AGE: 26

**EFP: 267.6**

**BYE WEEK: 14**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Williams' chance to capitalize on limited competition for touches and rushing TDs solidifies him as a high-end RB2 with low-end RB1 upside.

Five years, an ACL tear and a team later, Williams finally lived up to his potential. During his final 33 games with Denver, he managed 1,287 total rushing yards on 3.7 YPC with seven scores vs. 1,201 yards (4.8 YPC) and 13 combined TDs in 16 appearances for Dallas. More diversified fantasy scoring with less TD reliance is welcomed in his age-26 season. Last year, he generated 10-plus PPR points only three times without finding the end zone. His upside remains strong, and the floor is sturdy in this powerful offense.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DEN | 16 | 217 | 774 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 47 | 228 | 2 | 179.2 |
| 2024 | DEN | 17 | 139 | 513 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 52 | 346 | 0 | 157.9 |
| 2025 | DAL | 16 | 252 | 1,201 | 11 | 2 | 2 | 35 | 137 | 2 | 242.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 279 | 1,256 | 13 | 3 | 2 | 39 | 230 | 1 | 267.6 |

## 10

## SAQUON BARKLEY

6-0/232/AGE: 29

**EFP: 262.9**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Age, mileage, new pieces around him and a new OC make Barkley a risk-reward decision as an RB1.

With Barkley coming off a season in which he logged 378 touches, there were plenty of think pieces written warning about the potential for regression in 2025. Even within that, few expected the reigning Offensive Player of the Year to slip as far as he did, going from 2,283 total yards and 15 TDs to 1,413 yards and nine scores. Injuries along the offensive line were part of it, and Philly's offense rarely found a rhythm, particularly over the final two months. At 29, and with another 317 touches on his odometer, Barkley is becoming an increasingly risky selection.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NYG | 14 | 247 | 962 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 41 | 280 | 4 | 223.2 |
| 2024 | PHI | 16 | 345 | 2,005 | 13 | 11 | 1 | 33 | 278 | 2 | 355.3 |
| 2025 | PHI | 16 | 280 | 1,140 | 7 | 3 | 1 | 37 | 273 | 2 | 232.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 298 | 1,311 | 10 | 6 | 2 | 34 | 238 | 3 | 262.9 |

## 11

## JOSH JACOBS

5-10/223/AGE: 28

**EFP: 262.0**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

If Jacobs has one more big year in him, he could be a value buy in this year's WR-heavy first two rounds.

In two seasons with the Packers, Jacobs has amassed 30 touchdowns, despite dealing with a knee issue that cost him two games and limited his effectiveness over the second half of 2025. At 28, and with a lot of miles on his odometer, the clock could be ticking on Jacobs' time as a workhorse, though one look at Green Bay's depth chart tells you the Packers believe he can still function as a lead back. Despite mild durability concerns, Jacobs' red-zone prowess and clear spot as RB1 make him a viable target early in drafts.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LV | 13 | 233 | 805 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 37 | 296 | 0 | 181.1 |
| 2024 | GB | 17 | 301 | 1,329 | 15 | 3 | 3 | 36 | 342 | 1 | 293.1 |
| 2025 | GB | 15 | 234 | 929 | 13 | 0 | 2 | 36 | 282 | 1 | 237.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 259 | 1,114 | 12 | 2 | 2 | 39 | 316 | 2 | 262.0 |

JOSH JACOBS

## 12

## KYREN WILLIAMS

5-9/207/AGE: 26

**EFP: 259.1**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Early-career durability problems are behind him, and even in a committee with Blake Corum, Williams remains a low-end RB1 or elite No. 2.

In 2024, Williams played 81.5% of LA's offensive snaps. Last year, that number fell to 68% as Blake Corum grew into a larger role. Despite the reduction in playing time, Williams' numbers were steady: He had 1,481 total yards and 16 TDs in 2024, and 1,533 yards and 13 TDs this past season. While not a huge back, Williams has been durable the past two years, appearing in 33 of 34 possible games, though ball security remains an issue. Still in his prime and having proven he can produce with fewer opportunities, Williams enters 2026 among the position's steadier options.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LAR | 12 | 228 | 1,144 | 12 | 6 | 2 | 32 | 206 | 3 | 255.0 |
| 2024 | LAR | 16 | 316 | 1,299 | 14 | 4 | 3 | 34 | 182 | 2 | 272.1 |
| 2025 | LAR | 17 | 259 | 1,252 | 10 | 1 | 2 | 36 | 281 | 3 | 263.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 271 | 1,247 | 11 | 3 | 2 | 32 | 224 | 3 | 259.1 |

## 13

## KENNETH WALKER III

5-9/216/AGE: 25

**EFP: 252.6**

**BYE WEEK: 5**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Durability was the bane of his existence until 2025, and now he has limited touch competition in this backfield. KW3 should thrive under Andy Reid.

With Zach Charbonnet injured early in the playoffs vs. the 49ers, Walker served as the bell cow during Seattle's Super Bowl run, which ended with a 161-yard effort against New England that earned him MVP honors. That landed Walker a deal in Kansas City to be their RB1. In an expanded role, Walker's ceiling is raised, though bear in mind he missed time in each of his previous three seasons, including six games in 2024, before appearing in every game last year. There's three-down talent for Walker. Pair that with limited options around him, and he could have a big year.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SEA | 15 | 219 | 905 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 29 | 259 | 1 | 199.4 |
| 2024 | SEA | 11 | 153 | 573 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 46 | 299 | 1 | 181.2 |
| 2025 | SEA | 17 | 221 | 1,027 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 31 | 282 | 0 | 191.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 268 | 1,206 | 9 | 5 | 0 | 40 | 320 | 1 | 252.6 |

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## 14

## OMARION HAMPTON

6-0/220/AGE: 23

**EFP: 251.6**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

If Hampton can stay healthy for a full season, this projection might actually be on the low side. He's an ideal RB2 with room for more.

While not nearly as hyped as fellow rookie Ashton Jeanty, Hampton pushed toward low-end RB1 status in fantasy drafts. With few exceptions, he didn't perform that way. The lone bright spot early on came in Week 4 when he racked up 165 total yards and a touchdown. A week later, he fractured his ankle and missed two months. He'll look to turn the page on a frustrating rookie year, and the hiring of offensive coordinator Mike McDaniel, who oversaw De'Von Achane in Miami, could be paramount in doing just that. Between his physical talent and pairing with McDaniel, Hampton boasts tempting rebound potential.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | LAC | 9 | 124 | 545 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 32 | 192 | 1 | 135.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 265 | 1,219 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 44 | 277 | 2 | 251.6 |

OMARION HAMPTON

## 15

## DERRICK HENRY

6-3/252/AGE: 32

**EFP: 248.3**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

This one is all about whether Father Time finally catches up. Rank Henry around RB9 if you aren't convinced.

Declan Doyle takes over as the offensive coordinator under Jesse Minter, and the defensive-minded new head coach wants to rely on the ground game. Doyle comes from the Ben Johnson coaching tree, so he'll feed King Henry. Aside from three new interior linemen, the other major issue here is just how many more years he can handle a massive workload and still post huge fantasy stats. Henry, 32, has 300-plus carries in three of the past four years, but the dude is clearly built differently. Any selection of Henry must come with accepting that this could be the year he breaks down.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | TEN | 17 | 280 | 1,167 | 12 | 4 | 0 | 28 | 214 | 0 | 246.8 |
| 2024 | BAL | 17 | 325 | 1,921 | 16 | 9 | 1 | 19 | 193 | 2 | 336.4 |
| 2025 | BAL | 17 | 307 | 1,595 | 16 | 8 | 3 | 15 | 150 | 0 | 279.5 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 293 | 1,406 | 13 | 7 | 2 | 14 | 137 | 1 | 248.3 |

## 16

## CHASE BROWN

5-10/210/AGE: 26

**EFP: 237.1**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Even when he doesn't feel like a safe RB2, Brown still delivers. His aerial game is underrated, making him a strong No. 2 in PPR.

Brown set career highs across the board in receiving work last year, drawing 88 targets that he turned into a 69-437-5 line through the air. He's scored nine receiving TDs in the past two years, adding 13 total on the ground. He also broke the 1,000-yard barrier on the ground for the first time. The line has shown improvement, and Joe Burrow is healthy, which makes Brown that much more dangerous. Even after the 10th-most utilizations last year, he has virtually no consistent competition for touches, despite Samaje Perine occasionally spelling him on third down.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CIN | 12 | 44 | 179 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 156 | 1 | 53.5 |
| 2024 | CIN | 16 | 229 | 990 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 54 | 360 | 4 | 255.0 |
| 2025 | CIN | 17 | 232 | 1,019 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 69 | 437 | 5 | 282.6 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 232 | 998 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 52 | 333 | 3 | 237.1 |

## 17

## RJ HARVEY

5-9/208/AGE: 25

**EFP: 233.8**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Once J.K. Dobbins went down last year, Harvey came into his own. Don't think Sean Payton didn't notice, and don't think Dobbins can stay healthy.

A second-round pick in 2025, Harvey got plenty of buzz entering last season with only an injury-prone J.K. Dobbins standing between him and a major role with the Broncos. It took 10 games for that scenario to manifest. Once Dobbins was lost, Harvey took over, posting 96 carries in the final seven games. While he wasn't particularly effective, managing just 3.7 yards per carry, Harvey brought plenty of juice as a receiver. He caught 47 passes, tied for ninth among all rookies, with five TDs. His all-around skill set presents intriguing upside in Year 2.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | DEN | 17 | 146 | 540 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 47 | 356 | 5 | 206.6 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 213 | 937 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 41 | 291 | 3 | 233.8 |

TREYEVON HENDERSON

## 18

## TREYEVON HENDERSON

5-10/202/AGE: 23

**EFP: 232.7**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Henderson's ranking is maxed out here. He won't go this early among RBs, but he's also not too far off. Bank on a big jump in efficiency.

Although 1,132 total yards and 10 touchdowns make for a quality rookie season, Henderson was all over the map in terms of week-to-week production — he posted 404 yards and seven TDs across three huge performances, meaning he averaged 52 yards per outing with three scores in his other 14 games. He closed the year on a down note as well — he was completely ineffective throughout New England's playoff run. Despite the inconsistency, Henderson's future remains bright, and it wouldn't be surprising to see him garner a higher workload in his second season compared to Rhamondre Stevenson.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | NE | 17 | 180 | 911 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 35 | 221 | 1 | 206.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 203 | 995 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 44 | 312 | 2 | 232.7 |

## 19

## D'ANDRE SWIFT

5-8/204/AGE: 27

**EFP: 219.8**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Would you believe Swift has been a PPR RB2 in every season he's been in the NFL? Only a serious injury figures to end that streak.

Unimpressive during his first season in Chicago, Swift rebounded nicely under first-year head coach Ben Johnson. He established new career highs in rushing yards (1,087) and rushing TDs (nine) while averaging a solid 4.9 yards per carry. Swift also reaffirmed that the durability concerns that dogged him in Detroit have largely abated — he's missed only two games over the past three campaigns. Swift outpaced backfield mate Kyle Monangai in terms of snaps, 621 to 478, but that could tighten up with Monangai now having a full season under his belt.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | PHI | 16 | 229 | 1,049 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 39 | 214 | 1 | 199.3 |
| 2024 | CHI | 17 | 253 | 959 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 42 | 386 | 0 | 214.5 |
| 2025 | CHI | 16 | 223 | 1,087 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 34 | 299 | 1 | 228.6 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 233 | 1,095 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 37 | 333 | 1 | 219.8 |

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## 20

## QUINSHON JUDKINS

6-0/221/AGE: 22

**EFP: 209.8**

BYE WEEK: 11

### ATHLON'S TAKE

You'd like to see more aerial work from him, but let's just make it through 17 games first. This is a safe, fair ranking placement for a top-12 talent.

Despite a tumultuous leadup before the season, Judkins posted 21.5 PPR points (RB11) in just his third appearance. He finished RB18 in 14 outings until his season was cut short by a dislocated ankle and broken fibula. He's on track to be ready for training camp and should be full speed entering the opener. The Browns hired head coach Todd Monken to replace Kevin Stefanski, so you can expect a committed ground game, especially with a shaky QB situation. A lack of aerial chops somewhat caps Judkins' ceiling, but he's serviceable. The OL was rebuilt, and there's upside for days here.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | CLE | 14 | 230 | 827 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 26 | 171 | 0 | 169.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 290 | 1,160 | 7 | 3 | 1 | 33 | 208 | 0 | 209.8 |

QUINSHON JUDKINS

## 21

## TRAVIS ETIENNE JR.

5-10/215/AGE: 27

**EFP: 206.1**

BYE WEEK: 8

### ATHLON'S TAKE

Last year's RB10 will slide a little due to his surroundings, but Etienne is a worthy No. 2 back.

Etienne left Duval for The Big Easy to partner with veteran RB Alvin Kamara and form a dynamic backfield. The ex-Jaguar should hold down most of the pure rushing role, easing Kamara's workload in hopes that less means more for the veteran. It's really the aerial side where things become harder to predict. Etienne is a good receiver; Kamara is an elite one. Just how much will we see the two cannibalize each other's target opportunities? There's much to like about Etienne as a Saint, but a healthy Kamara caps his ceiling.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | JAC | 17 | 267 | 1,008 | 11 | 2 | 0 | 58 | 476 | 1 | 282.4 |
| 2024 | JAC | 15 | 150 | 558 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 39 | 254 | 0 | 130.2 |
| 2025 | JAC | 17 | 260 | 1,107 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 36 | 292 | 6 | 253.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 255 | 1,046 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 31 | 245 | 2 | 206.1 |

## 22

## BUCKY IRVING

5-10/195/AGE: 24

**EFP: 205.2**

BYE WEEK: 10

### ATHLON'S TAKE

If healthy, maybe this proves to be a little low, but it accounts for Irving's durability risk, more direct competition and new OC.

Foot and shoulder injuries robbed Irving of seven games in his second season, making it fair to question the 195-pound back's durability. Explosiveness is what made Irving a weekly starter, but his yards-per-carry average fell by two yards to a lowly 3.4 mark in 2025. Tampa is on its fifth OC in as many seasons, and now WR Mike Evans is gone. Kenneth Gainwell replaces Rachaad White, introducing an extremely similar skill set to Irving's into the mix, and bruiser Sean Tucker returns for the ugly work. This projection is closer to Irving's floor than ceiling.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | TB | 17 | 207 | 1,122 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 47 | 392 | 0 | 244.4 |
| 2025 | TB | 10 | 173 | 588 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 30 | 277 | 3 | 138.5 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 199 | 896 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 42 | 336 | 3 | 205.2 |

## 23

## CHUBA HUBBARD

6-1/210/AGE: 27

**EFP: 199.4**

BYE WEEK: 5

### ATHLON'S TAKE

Hubbard's ranking is quite fluid, and he's poised to go down if Jonathon Brooks looks spry in camp. RB3 is a solid floor, though.

Fresh off a season in which he had 1,366 yards from scrimmage, 11 total TDs and a new contract in 2024, Hubbard's situation last year was nothing short of frustrating. Carolina added Rico Dowdle, who simply outplayed him when called upon to fill in during Weeks 5 and 6, making it nearly impossible to bank on Hubbard afterward. He injured one calf late in '24 and then the other last year, bringing his durability into question for 2026 now that Dowdle is gone. The line isn't clearly stronger, Jonathon Brooks (knee) returns and Trevor Etienne is waiting for a shot.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CAR | 17 | 238 | 902 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 39 | 233 | 0 | 182.5 |
| 2024 | CAR | 15 | 250 | 1,195 | 10 | 4 | 3 | 43 | 171 | 1 | 241.6 |
| 2025 | CAR | 15 | 134 | 511 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 30 | 223 | 3 | 125.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 231 | 970 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 34 | 224 | 1 | 199.4 |

CAM SKATTEBO

## 24

## CAM SKATTEBO

5-11/215/AGE: 24

**EFP: 198.6**

BYE WEEK: 8

### ATHLON'S TAKE

Risk-reward is the name of this ranking. If you can stomach a rotation and injury concerns, Skattebo is an intriguing RB2 but better third.

The human battering ram that is Skattebo suffered a serious leg injury in Week 9, missing the rest of the year due to a dislocated ankle, fractured fibula and damage to the deltoid ligament. Gruesome. He's on track for Week 1 but may not be at full strength right away, and the Giants don't need him to be with two capable veterans in reserve. Skattebo's versatility in the passing game and TD upside as a runner are what position him on the cusp of RB2 range, even knowing the injury concerns. He'd be much higher otherwise. Watch his progress in camp.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | NYG | 8 | 101 | 410 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 24 | 207 | 2 | 127.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 178 | 712 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 42 | 294 | 3 | 198.6 |

## 25

## JEREMIYAH LOVE

6-0/214/AGE: 21

**EFP: 197.9**

BYE WEEK: 14

### ATHLON'S TAKE

This is low compared to ADP. He also may fly up the board, but Arizona will employ some degree of a committee. Check our fantasy site for updates.

The No. 3 overall pick in April's draft, Love heads to the desert for what initially may be a committee approach but then could give way to being more in his favor. Arizona has veterans James Conner, 31, and Tyler Allgeier, 26, in reserve, each possessing contrasting styles of play. Conner was the incumbent starter before a foot/ankle injury put him on IR after only three games. He could steal third-down work from Love. Allgeier is more of a two-down, between-the-tackles guy who can serviceably spell the rookie. New head coach Mike LaFleur's affection for committees may interfere with Love reaching his optimal fantasy value.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 227 | 1,090 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 26 | 169 | 1 | 197.9 |

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**26**

## RICO DOWDLE

5-11/218/AGE: 28

**EFP: 197.0**

**BYE WEEK: 9**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Dowdle's ranking is another with only one way to travel, and it ain't up. He's still the better bet over Jaylen Warren for RB3 results.

Viewed as a replaceable cog by the Cowboys following the 2024 campaign, Dowdle signed with the Panthers and ended up as their leading rusher. That didn't entice Carolina to retain the veteran, however, so he signed with the Steelers on a two-year deal to join the backfield tandem with Jaylen Warren. As was the case in Carolina with Dowdle and Chuba Hubbard, Pittsburgh successfully featured two backs with Warren and Kenneth Gainwell in 2025. Although Dowdle isn't a carbon copy of Gainwell, look for a similar usage split to last season, when Warren played 489 snaps to Gainwell's 517.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DAL | 16 | 89 | 361 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 144 | 2 | 91.5 |
| 2024 | DAL | 16 | 235 | 1,079 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 39 | 249 | 3 | 197.8 |
| 2025 | CAR | 17 | 236 | 1,076 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 39 | 297 | 1 | 216.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 211 | 992 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 34 | 238 | 2 | 197.0 |

**27**

## DAVID MONTGOMERY

5-11/230/AGE: 29

**EFP: 195.4**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Fresh and determined isn't a bad combination for a veteran in a new town. Monty's TD-heavy RB3 profile blends top-12 weeks with soul-crushing boredom.

Acquired from the Lions during the offseason, Montgomery should step into the lead role for the Texans, though he's still expected to split time with holdover Woody Marks. How you view Montgomery is something of a Rorschach test. Is he the weapon we saw excel as a complement to Jahmyr Gibbs in Detroit? Or is he more of the grinder he was with the Bears where he averaged less than 4.0 yards per carry? Either version should be an upgrade over Nick Chubb; just don't assume an uptick in usage will equate to more value.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DET | 14 | 219 | 1,015 | 13 | 3 | 1 | 16 | 117 | 0 | 207.2 |
| 2024 | DET | 14 | 185 | 775 | 12 | 1 | 1 | 36 | 341 | 0 | 223.8 |
| 2025 | DET | 17 | 158 | 716 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 24 | 192 | 0 | 167.0 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 206 | 906 | 10 | 2 | 1 | 28 | 188 | 0 | 195.4 |

TONY POLLARD

**28**

## TONY POLLARD

6-0/209/AGE: 29

**EFP: 181.0**

**BYE WEEK: 9**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

If mediocrity had a name, it would be Tony Pollard. But you take the stable role and consistent results for an RB3 baseline and hope for more.

Pollard in fantasy is like watching a movie you've seen and hoping the ending is somehow different. Well, there's something to be said for consistency, anyway! In the past four years, he has rushed for between 1,005 and 1,082 yards — no more, no less. In the past three seasons, Pollard has scored six, five and five times, respectively, and hasn't caught a TD since 2022. He's 29, and gone are the days of averaging 5.2-plus YPC. Backup Tyjae Spears returns, and fifth-round rookie Nicholas Singleton will fight for a role. The line improved, however, and more weapons exist for QB Cam Ward.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DAL | 17 | 252 | 1,005 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 55 | 311 | 0 | 222.6 |
| 2024 | TEN | 16 | 260 | 1,079 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 41 | 238 | 0 | 200.7 |
| 2025 | TEN | 17 | 242 | 1,082 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 33 | 206 | 0 | 185.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 231 | 993 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 35 | 207 | 1 | 181.0 |

**29**

## KYLE MONANGAI

5-8/207/AGE: 24

**EFP: 179.6**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

He is one D'Andre Swift injury away from dominating fantasy leagues. Monangai is a flex option in his own right, and the upside exceeds this ranking.

Monangai wasn't on many fantasy radars a year ago as an unheralded seventh-round pick out of Rutgers. He did little over the season's first month, failing to record double-digit touches until Week 7 against New Orleans, when he posted a 13-81-1 line. From that point on, the then-rookie averaged 13.4 touches over a dozen games. Monangai is a more physical runner than D'Andre Swift, and he showed excellent ball security, logging 213 touches without a fumble. While he's penciled in to reprise his role alongside Swift, there's a lingering possibility he could leapfrog the veteran.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | CHI | 17 | 169 | 783 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 18 | 164 | 0 | 146.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 188 | 846 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 25 | 220 | 1 | 179.6 |

ALVIN KAMARA

**30**

## ALVIN KAMARA

5-10/215/AGE: 31

**EFP: 179.6**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

If Kamara can play 15-plus games, he's a top-30 back in PPR. No one will draft him here, so you'll get a recency-bias bargain to consider in several rounds.

Now entering his age-31 season, Kamara has missed time in every season following his 2017 rookie breakout. He's not as explosive or elusive, but AK41 is just one year removed from his best per-game average (19 PPR) since 2020. Travis Etienne Jr. signed in free agency, and the hope is that he'll handle most of the taxing work in an effort to keep Kamara healthy and fresh. This ranking is a ceiling projection based on PPR volume alone, so understand you must not pay an RB30 price for Kamara in 2026 drafts. If healthy, he's a No. 4 with room for PPR RB3 offerings.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NO | 13 | 180 | 694 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 75 | 466 | 1 | 233.0 |
| 2024 | NO | 14 | 228 | 950 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 68 | 543 | 2 | 265.3 |
| 2025 | NO | 11 | 131 | 471 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 33 | 186 | 0 | 100.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 150 | 585 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 59 | 401 | 2 | 179.6 |

**31**

## JAYLEN WARREN

5-8/215/AGE: 27

**EFP: 178.7**

**BYE WEEK: 9**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Warren lost ground to Kenneth Gainwell last year, but the latter is gone, Rico Dowdle is in, and the coaching staff is new. This is a ceiling placement.

Warren slid into the nominal RB1 role when Najee Harris departed before 2025, but he ended up splitting duties anyway with newcomer Kenneth Gainwell, ceding major ground down the stretch. Look for that type of setup to continue this season, albeit with Rico Dowdle occupying the 1b role. Warren is a capable receiver and runner, and he's coming off easily his best season as a pro with 1,291 total yards and eight touchdowns. With Aaron Rodgers calling signals, Warren will remain heavily involved.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | PIT | 17 | 149 | 784 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 61 | 370 | 0 | 196.4 |
| 2024 | PIT | 15 | 120 | 511 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 38 | 310 | 0 | 124.1 |
| 2025 | PIT | 16 | 211 | 958 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 40 | 333 | 2 | 217.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 198 | 871 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 32 | 256 | 1 | 178.7 |

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## 32

## JADARIAN PRICE

5-11/209/AGE: 22

**EFP: 175.3**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Zach Charbonnet's timetable is unclear, and Emanuel Wilson is underrated. Price will go as an RB2, which is likely where he ends up in our online updates.

Opportunity is everything, and Price goes from backing up Jeremiyah Love at Notre Dame to becoming the second RB drafted in 2026 and now RB1 for the defending champs. With Kenneth Walker III gone, Price will start until Zach Charbonnet returns later in the year from a torn ACL, and the rookie has an intriguing skill set. He averaged 6.0 YPC over 280 FBS carries and is explosive in the screen game. His short-area burst allows the one-cut back to get to the edge and turn the corner. Expect Price's stock to rise with a good camp, but RB Emanuel Wilson lurks.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 215 | 925 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 20 | 168 | 1 | 175.3 |

JADARIAN PRICE

## 33

## RACHAAD WHITE

6-0/214/AGE: 27

**EFP: 166.3**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

If all goes well, White will lock down the PPR role and will chip in a few rushing touchdowns to justify this ranking.

Three seasons ago, White posted a 990-yard, six-score ground effort and a career-high 64 catches for 549 yards with three more TDs as a Buccaneer. He's durable and reasonably effective, but a lack of athleticism kneecaps his upside. But at a position of attrition, availability is a valued ability. White gets a shot at being the closest thing to "the guy" that Washington offers. Jayden Daniels is a volume threat, but his skills also create running room. White's best path is in PPR, though he'll lose touches to some combo of Jacory Croskey-Merritt, Kaytron Allen and/or Jerome Ford.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | TB | 17 | 272 | 990 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 64 | 549 | 3 | 267.9 |
| 2024 | TB | 16 | 144 | 613 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 51 | 393 | 6 | 199.6 |
| 2025 | TB | 17 | 132 | 572 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 218 | 0 | 143.0 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 130 | 546 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 52 | 317 | 2 | 166.3 |

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## RHAMONDRE STEVENSON

6-0/227/AGE: 28

**EFP: 156.5**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Some weeks will be feast, others will be famine for Stevenson, and the aggregate is an RB3 finish.

Stevenson worked slightly ahead of then-rookie TreVeyon Henderson for the first two months of 2025 before a toe injury sidelined him for most of November. By the time he returned, Henderson was working as RB1. That changed in the playoffs, though, with Stevenson racking up 343 yards in four postseason contests to 109 for the rookie. It shows that the veteran still has an important role to play in New England's offense in 2026, even though it's hard not to envision Henderson as the team's future at the position.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NE | 12 | 156 | 619 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 38 | 238 | 0 | 145.7 |
| 2024 | NE | 15 | 207 | 801 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 33 | 168 | 1 | 175.9 |
| 2025 | NE | 14 | 130 | 603 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 32 | 345 | 2 | 178.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 141 | 620 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 37 | 255 | 1 | 156.5 |

## 35

## WOODY MARKS

5-10/208/AGE: 25

**EFP: 154.6**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Marks acquitted himself nicely late last year and will have a role. He's a solid 10 spots higher if David Montgomery gets injured.

Don't read too much into Marks' 911 total yards and five TDs as a rookie. He was the best of a bad group of options after Joe Mixon missed the entire season and Nick Chubb looked like a 30-year-old back returning from a catastrophic leg injury. Even saying "best" may be a bit of a stretch as Marks averaged a woeful 3.6 yards per carry to Chubb's 4.1. Houston may have felt Marks was overmatched in that role, leading the team to acquire David Montgomery from the Lions. That should allow Marks to serve in a more complementary capacity in 2026.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | HOU | 16 | 196 | 703 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 24 | 208 | 3 | 145.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 159 | 652 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 33 | 264 | 2 | 154.6 |

WOODY MARKS

## 36

## AARON JONES SR.

5-10/208/AGE: 31

**EFP: 145.9**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Age is a serious factor, and so are the backs behind him. But Minnesota brought Jones back for a reason.

Not much went right in Minnesota last season. That includes the play of Jones, who battled injuries that cost him five games and finished with just 548 rushing yards; that was the lowest mark of his career since he ran for 448 yards as a rookie back in 2017. The team restructured the veteran's deal in March, so he's a safe bet to return, but what will his role be? And how much does Jones have left in the tank as he nears 32?

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | GB | 11 | 142 | 656 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 30 | 233 | 1 | 134.9 |
| 2024 | MIN | 17 | 255 | 1,138 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 51 | 408 | 2 | 241.6 |
| 2025 | MIN | 12 | 132 | 548 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 28 | 199 | 1 | 118.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 166 | 681 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 33 | 228 | 1 | 145.9 |

## 37

## TYJAE SPEARS

5-11/195/AGE: 25

**EFP: 134.7**

**BYE WEEK: 9**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

You'd hope for a larger role and more durability. He's talented, but we haven't seen it materialize yet. RB4 is the floor.

Spears suffered two ACL tears to his right knee prior to entering the NFL and is reported to have an arthritic condition that could shorten his career. He also no longer has an ACL, which is ironically helped by the stiffness caused by arthritis. At least we don't have to worry about him tearing it a third time, so there's that. Spears backs up Tony Pollard and has been unremarkable over the past two injury-shortened seasons, including opening last year with a high-ankle sprain. The Tulane product is quite versatile, however, and he'd be a viable RB2 candidate if Pollard were absent.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | TEN | 17 | 100 | 453 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 52 | 385 | 1 | 153.8 |
| 2024 | TEN | 12 | 84 | 312 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 224 | 1 | 113.6 |
| 2025 | TEN | 13 | 72 | 283 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 45 | 264 | 0 | 111.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 115 | 472 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 38 | 255 | 1 | 134.7 |

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## BHAYSHUL TUTEN

5-9/209/AGE: 23

**EFP: 134.6**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Tuten is ranked low out of an abundance of caution. He will top out around RB25 if a clearer role is defined in camp. Check back online.

Tuten is the logical choice to replace Travis Etienne Jr. as Jacksonville's most fantasy-relevant back. The issue here is we'll see a muddied committee if the second-year back doesn't separate himself quickly. Tuten turned 93 touches into seven touchdowns last year (missed two games with a finger injury), but he averaged onl y 3.7 yards on the ground, and 31.8% of his fantasy points came in two outings. Chris Rodriguez Jr. and LeQuint Allen Jr. will battle for defined roles, and this is one to closely watch in the offseason. Tuten's value will surge with a clear victory.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | JAC | 15 | 83 | 307 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 10 | 79 | 2 | 88.6 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 176 | 757 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 14 | 109 | 1 | 134.6 |

BHAYSHUL TUTEN

## 39

## DYLAN SAMPSON

5-8/200/AGE: 22

**EFP: 133.8**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Sampson gets a little love here in PPR and is a reasonable standalone bench option if you don't have Quinshon Judkins.

One of two 2025 rookie running back selections by the Browns, Sampson brings a different profile than Quinshon Judkins' violent style. The 5-foot-8, 200-pound Tennessee product instead is a more versatile option with better hands in the passing game, and that's his most likely path to contributing in fantasy. Offensive-minded head coach Todd Monken tends to get his RBs involved in the receiving game; Justice Hill averaged four targets per game over their three years together in Baltimore. Sampson offers next to nothing in non-PPR, though.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | CLE | 15 | 65 | 175 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 33 | 271 | 2 | 87.6 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 81 | 300 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 49 | 368 | 2 | 133.8 |

## 40

## KENNETH GAINWELL

5-9/200/AGE: 27

**EFP: 124.8**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Only one of his five years has shown Gainwell can get it done. He's more insurance for Bucky Irving than a weekly fixture.

The former Philly and Pittsburgh back parlayed a strong 2025 second half into a new deal in Tampa, where he'll partner with Bucky Irving, who missed seven games in 2025. The duo is quite similar in style, and it will be interesting to see how new OC Zac Robinson deploys them. Speaking of Robinson, he's the fifth coordinator hired in the last five seasons for the Bucs, coming from the Sean McVay tree. With one year of useful fantasy contributions in five seasons, Gainwell isn't a slam dunk, but he belongs on your late-round radar.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | PHI | 16 | 84 | 364 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 30 | 183 | 0 | 97.6 |
| 2024 | PHI | 17 | 75 | 290 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 116 | 0 | 62.6 |
| 2025 | PIT | 17 | 114 | 537 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 73 | 486 | 3 | 221.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 90 | 387 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 35 | 231 | 2 | 124.8 |

## 41

## J.K. DOBBINS

5-10/215/AGE: 27

**EFP: 121.6**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Dobbins picked up a concussion and broken finger just reading this blurb. Let someone else enjoy the migraine.

Dobbins' six-year NFL career can be summed up in two words: when healthy. The former Ohio State standout was a revelation as a rookie with the Ravens, scoring nine times and averaging 6.0 yards per carry. He appeared in only nine games over the next three years, though, beset by a series of serious leg injuries. To his credit, Dobbins revitalized his career with the Chargers in 2024 before signing with the Broncos last year. He served as lead back for 10 weeks but suffered a Lisfranc injury and missed the remainder of the season. High risk, modest rewards.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BAL | 1 | 8 | 22 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 15 | 0 | 11.7 |
| 2024 | LAC | 13 | 195 | 905 | 9 | 2 | 0 | 32 | 153 | 0 | 191.8 |
| 2025 | DEN | 10 | 153 | 772 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 11 | 37 | 0 | 115.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 144 | 691 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 15 | 75 | 0 | 121.6 |

J.K. DOBBINS

## 42

## TYRONE TRACY JR.

5-11/210/AGE: 26

**EFP: 118.4**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

He's effective when on the field, but an uncertain time share makes Tracy a high-end reserve.

Tracy missed Weeks 4 and 5 with a dislocated shoulder, returned with a harness and needed more than a month before he found his footing again. The loss of RB Cam Skattebo (leg) is what really gave Tracy a chance to matter in 2025 fantasy play, and he finished the regular season with his two best performances (24.7 and 29.9 PPR) in the last month. Entering 2026, Skattebo is on track for the opener but may be limited, which gives Tracy a fleeting opportunity, and he'll share touches with Devin Singletary if Skattebo is absent.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | NYG | 17 | 192 | 839 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 38 | 284 | 1 | 182.3 |
| 2025 | NYG | 15 | 176 | 740 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 36 | 288 | 2 | 160.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 109 | 480 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 28 | 204 | 1 | 118.4 |

## 43

## BLAKE CORUM

5-8/202/AGE: 25

**EFP: 118.0**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Last year's OC is gone, and Corum's workload could diminish. But he's one Kyren Williams injury away from becoming an RB2.

A high-profile rookie based on his exploits for Michigan's national championship team, Corum played sparingly in 2024, much to the dismay of fantasy owners who bought into the idea that he'd take over for a previously injury-prone Kyren Williams. With considerably less hype, Corum turned in a far more productive second season. His playing time jumped from 119 snaps to 332, and he finished with a 145-746-6 line as a runner. Corum remained a non-factor as a receiver, though, and after Williams inked an extension, he appears locked into a complementary role.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | LAR | 17 | 58 | 207 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 58 | 0 | 33.5 |
| 2025 | LAR | 17 | 145 | 746 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 36 | 0 | 122.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 150 | 735 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 10 | 65 | 0 | 118.0 |

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### JACORY CROSKEY-MERRITT

5-11/208/AGE: 25

**EFP: 117.5**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Bill was consistently awful for most of the season. Until he wasn't. His ranking is as fluid as any.

A largely unmerited level of preseason hype off 70 yards and a TD resulted in the man known as "Bill" flying up draft boards last year. He wasn't awful as a rookie, but Croskey-Merritt's contributions severely lagged behind his billing. The season-long rushing stats — 175-805-8 — look much better than his weekly contributions, as 35.7% of his fantasy points came in two games. Rachaad White enters as the clear pass-catching favorite, and Washington signed veteran Jerome Ford before drafting Kaytron Allen in Round 6.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | WAS | 17 | 175 | 805 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 68 | 0 | 140.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 149 | 656 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 49 | 0 | 117.5 |

## 45

### JAMES CONNER

6-1/233/AGE: 31

**EFP: 114.6**

**BYE WEEK: 14**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Old, coming off an injury, two other talented backs ahead of him ... yuck.

Conner missed 14 games last year after a right foot/ankle injury ended his season. Then the Cardinals remade their backfield. Tyler Allgeier signed in free agency, and then Arizona spent the No. 3 overall pick on Notre Dame's Jeremiyah Love, giving this backfield an elite playmaker. Conner, 31, moves into a smaller role, perhaps as a third-down option given his soft hands and skills in pass pro, but new head coach Mike LaFleur used a two-back approach with the Rams last year.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | ARI | 13 | 208 | 1,040 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 27 | 165 | 2 | 201.5 |
| 2024 | ARI | 16 | 236 | 1,094 | 8 | 6 | 1 | 47 | 414 | 1 | 253.8 |
| 2025 | ARI | 3 | 32 | 95 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 38 | 1 | 33.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 44 | 180 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 44 | 286 | 2 | 114.6 |

## 46

### JORDAN MASON

5-11/230/AGE: 27

**EFP: 114.0**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Mason is ranked too low if Aaron Jones Sr. gets hurt and/or rookie Demond Claiborne doesn't get touches.

The 2025 acquisition of Mason was considered a savvy move, and in what was a tough year for the Vikings, the former 49er was a rare bright spot. While splitting time with Aaron Jones Sr., Mason set career highs in carries (159) and TDs (six). Both backs return for 2026, but it wouldn't be surprising to see the snap count start tilting a little more in Mason's favor. At this stage, Mason is looking more like the top back to own in Minnesota.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SF | 17 | 40 | 206 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 31 | 0 | 44.7 |
| 2024 | SF | 12 | 153 | 789 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 11 | 91 | 0 | 115.0 |
| 2025 | MIN | 16 | 159 | 758 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 14 | 51 | 0 | 128.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 133 | 665 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 15 | 105 | 0 | 114.0 |

## 47

### ISIAH PACHECO

5-10/216/AGE: 27

**EFP: 110.2**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Where'd the burst go? Bueller? Pacheco is purely a handcuff to Jahmyr Gibbs or a late-round flier.

Two years ago, Pacheco was considered a potential three-down back for a potent Chiefs offense. Injuries limited him to 20 combined games the past two years, and his production fell off a cliff, lowlighted by just two rushing scores. He'll try to revive his career in Motown as the replacement for David Montgomery. It makes sense on paper. At his zenith, Pacheco was a physical back who ran with reckless abandon. The question is whether the 27-year-old can recapture that form.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | KC | 14 | 205 | 935 | 7 | 3 | 1 | 44 | 244 | 2 | 213.9 |
| 2024 | KC | 7 | 83 | 310 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 79 | 0 | 56.9 |
| 2025 | KC | 13 | 118 | 462 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 101 | 1 | 87.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 134 | 563 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 15 | 89 | 0 | 110.2 |

## 48

### ISAIAH DAVIS

6-1/220/AGE: 24

**EFP: 100.2**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

His passing work ranks Davis over Braelon Allen, but the latter makes for a better handcuff to Breece Hall.

Davis and Braelon Allen will spell Breece Hall as needed, but this isn't expected to be a true committee under new OC Frank Reich. Davis is the better third-down option for the Jets, and Allen is the more likely of the two to assume primary chores if Hall were to miss time. For fantasy, barring an injury to the starter, Davis profiles as having the better statistical upside in PPR scoring, but it's fair to treat Allen as something closer to a handcuff or speculative buy.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | NYJ | 17 | 30 | 174 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 75 | 1 | 45.9 |
| 2025 | NYJ | 16 | 43 | 236 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 186 | 0 | 71.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 51 | 270 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 252 | 1 | 100.2 |

## 49

### JUSTICE HILL

5-10/205/AGE: 28

**EFP: 95.7**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Hill's receiving chops are the only reason he's on this list, and he can be avoided outside of DFS or best-ball.

A neck injury cost the third-down back six games in 2025, but he's healthy now. While Baltimore changed its coaching staff for the first time in a generation, new offensive coordinator Declan Doyle will install an offense that looks similar to what Ben Johnson used in Detroit and now Chicago. That means plenty of running back rotations and checkdown work to the position, so Hill should carve out a niche role but remain a long shot to matter consistently with Derrick Henry around.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BAL | 16 | 84 | 387 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 28 | 206 | 1 | 109.3 |
| 2024 | BAL | 15 | 47 | 228 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 42 | 383 | 3 | 127.1 |
| 2025 | BAL | 10 | 18 | 93 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 169 | 1 | 65.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 36 | 180 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 33 | 267 | 2 | 95.7 |

## 50

### ZACH CHARBONNET

6-1/220/AGE: 25

**EFP: 92.4**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

His recovery timeline is iffy. The injury was serious. He has a rookie first-rounder ahead of him. Why bother?

Charbonnet suffered a torn ACL in January but didn't undergo knee reconstruction until a full month later, putting his timeline to return somewhere around December, give or take. Kenneth Walker III left for KC in free agency, and Seattle spent a first-rounder on Notre Dame's Jadarian Price, who is set to shoulder the workload while Charbonnet recovers. There's no need to rush Charbs back if Price is playing well, and this really could be a lost year for the former UCLA back.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SEA | 16 | 108 | 462 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 33 | 209 | 0 | 106.1 |
| 2024 | SEA | 17 | 135 | 569 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 42 | 340 | 1 | 186.9 |
| 2025 | SEA | 16 | 184 | 730 | 12 | 1 | 0 | 20 | 144 | 0 | 181.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 113 | 407 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 18 | 117 | 0 | 92.4 |

## 51

### TYLER ALLGEIER

5-10/225/AGE: 26

**EFP: 89.6**

**BYE WEEK:14**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

It's a shame he ended up in an awful situation. Allgeier is the Jeremiyah Love handcuff over James Conner.

After four uneven seasons with the Falcons, Allgeier went to Arizona in free agency, which looked promising for his fantasy value with James Conner coming off injury and being north of 30. However, the Cards then drafted Jeremiyah Love No. 3 overall, and the BYU product's fantasy value became far less clear. With Mike LaFleur's history of committees, Allgeier, who isn't much of a receiver, would be the handcuff to Love and spell him at times if Conner gets injured again.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | ATL | 17 | 186 | 683 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 193 | 1 | 137.6 |
| 2024 | ATL | 17 | 137 | 644 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 13 | 88 | 0 | 106.2 |
| 2025 | ATL | 17 | 143 | 514 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 96 | 0 | 123.0 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 133 | 532 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 12 | 84 | 0 | 89.6 |

## 52

## CHRIS RODRIGUEZ JR.

5-11/224/AGE: 26

**EFP: 86.6**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

He's purely a flier for cheap TDs and speculative fantasy points if Bhayshul Tuten stinks.

Rodriguez signed with Jacksonville in the offseason after posting career highs across the board in Washington. Hardly a receiving option, the former Kentucky Wildcat has seven career targets. In Duval, he'll compete with Bhayshul Tuten for two-down work and tough-yardage situations, leaving the pass-catching chores to LeQuint Allen Jr. and Tuten. This profile makes Rodriguez merely a flier for roster depth. His best value may come in best-ball and as a DFS matchup play.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | WAS | 13 | 51 | 247 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 12 | 0 | 37.9 |
| 2024 | WAS | 9 | 35 | 173 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 31.5 |
| 2025 | WAS | 13 | 112 | 500 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 30 | 0 | 92.0 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 99 | 455 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 81 | 0 | 86.6 |

## 53

## DEVIN SINGLETARY

5-7/203/AGE: 29

**EFP: 86.2**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Buried behind two talented backs makes Singletary nothing but a flier in case Cam Skattebo has a setback.

Since sliding into a reserve role with the Giants the past two years, Singletary has been consistently decent when granted an opportunity. Although he's not going to win you weeks, the veteran has a respectable floor if you're looking for a warm body. That, however, is dependent upon the health of RB Cam Skattebo (leg), and even then, Singletary would share reps with Tyrone Tracy Jr. With Skattebo on track for a full recovery, playing time for Singletary may be scarce.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | HOU | 17 | 216 | 898 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 30 | 193 | 0 | 167.4 |
| 2024 | NYG | 15 | 113 | 437 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 21 | 119 | 0 | 96.6 |
| 2025 | NYG | 17 | 119 | 437 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 151 | 0 | 108.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 88 | 370 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 102 | 0 | 86.2 |

## 54

## CHRIS BROOKS

6-1/219/AGE: 26

**EFP: 81.5**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Brooks could be a sneaky late-round gamble. Watch his battle with MarShawn Lloyd in camp.

Brooks is the nominal RB2 in Titletown. Emphasis on "nominal." To be sure, Brooks has his strengths. The Packers love his ability in pass protection, and he's become a regular part of their offense because of it. He hasn't had many opportunities, though — he played 203 snaps in 2025 that resulted in 40 combined touches. He'll doubtless face a camp challenge from MarShawn Lloyd, a third-round pick in 2024 who has appeared in just one game in two seasons due to injury.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | MIA | 9 | 19 | 106 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10.6 |
| 2024 | GB | 15 | 36 | 183 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 69 | 0 | 42.2 |
| 2025 | GB | 17 | 27 | 106 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 91 | 0 | 32.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 73 | 372 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 153 | 1 | 81.5 |

## 55

## LeQUINT ALLEN JR.

6-0/201/AGE: 22

**EFP: 80.8**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

He'll have a role in this possible three-headed backfield, but Allen is mostly a pass protector and checkdown.

Allen is an excellent pass protector, and he has underrated hands if you're judging them based solely on his 10 receptions during his 2025 rookie effort. With Travis Etienne Jr. and Bhayshul Tuten seeing the primary chores, Allen was relegated to protecting Trevor Lawrence from blitzes and providing the occasional checkdown. Look for a much larger role in the aerial game this year, and we may even be selling him short with this modest projection. Allen warrants your attention in training camp and preseason play.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | JAC | 17 | 23 | 94 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 54 | 0 | 24.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 52 | 224 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 31 | 214 | 1 | 80.8 |

## 56

## KIMANI VIDAL

5-8/215/AGE: 25

**EFP: 80.4**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

While Vidal filled in admirably when Omarion Hampton was out, his role will be tiny without injury assistance.

With an ankle injury limiting Omarion Hampton to nine games, Vidal finished 2025 as LA's leading rusher, gaining 643 yards on 155 carries. It was solid work from Vidal, who spent his own rookie campaign stuck behind veterans J.K. Dobbins and Gus Edwards. We'll see if new offensive coordinator Mike McDaniel can unlock even more — McDaniel's best season in Miami featured an RB tandem of De'Von Achane and Raheem Mostert, so the former Dolphins head coach has proven he likes to utilize multiple backs.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | LAC | 10 | 43 | 155 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 62 | 1 | 32.7 |
| 2025 | LAC | 13 | 155 | 643 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 16 | 136 | 1 | 117.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 101 | 404 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 100 | 1 | 80.4 |

## 57

## TY JOHNSON

5-10/210/AGE: 29

**EFP: 76.0**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

A few TD snipes and checkdowns from Josh Allen put Johnson on this list over Ray Davis.

The Bills moved on from head coach Sean McDermott but opted for his play-caller, Joe Brady, as the replacement, so continuity remains. In the event Buffalo were to lose James Cook III for an extended time, it stands to reason Johnson would garner a little more work. Primarily, he is a third-down back and change-of-pacer who really offers nothing in traditional fantasy, but there are niche DFS contests in which he can occasionally prove useful.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BUF | 10 | 30 | 132 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 62 | 1 | 32.4 |
| 2024 | BUF | 17 | 41 | 213 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 284 | 3 | 91.7 |
| 2025 | BUF | 17 | 50 | 200 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 24 | 263 | 2 | 100.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 34 | 143 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 227 | 2 | 76.0 |

## 58

## EMANUEL WILSON

5-10/226/AGE

**EFP: 73.5**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

If Jadarian Price struggles or needs a break, Wilson could emerge as an option until/if Zach Charbonnet returns.

Wilson signed to serve as the primary backup for first-round rookie Jadarian Price until Zach Charbonnet (knee) returns to the field, which may not even happen given the timing of his February surgery. Wilson could emerge as an effective option for Seattle in spot duty as a change-of-pace to Price. The former Green Bay Packer has averaged 4.5 YPC in three seasons of limited play, contributing eight total scores in the past two campaigns. Wilson is worth watching in camp.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | GB | 7 | 14 | 85 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 23 | 0 | 14.8 |
| 2024 | GB | 17 | 103 | 502 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 48 | 1 | 96.0 |
| 2025 | GB | 17 | 125 | 496 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 15 | 99 | 0 | 94.5 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 82 | 361 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 74 | 0 | 73.5 |

## 59

## JAYLEN WRIGHT

5-10/208/AGE: 23

**EFP: 72.9**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

His only fantasy worth is as a flier in case De'Von Achane were to get hurt. You can do worse in best-ball as an RB5.

In a vacuum, Wright probably holds no appeal for fantasy purposes, but the speedy third-year pro flashed a little in 2025. Unfortunately, everything around him is different — coaching, quarterback, receivers — except for De'Von Achane, the man he backs up. Without an injury to the Texas A&M star, it's unlikely Miami can find enough reps for Wright to consistently pose a threat to defenses. Expect Achane and new QB Malik Willis to account for most of the Dolphins' ground gains in '26.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | MIA | 15 | 68 | 249 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 0 | 26.7 |
| 2025 | MIA | 10 | 70 | 288 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 44 | 0 | 48.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 99 | 396 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 63 | 0 | 72.9 |

## 60

## SAMAJE PERINE

5-11/240/AGE: 31

**EFP: 69.1**

BYE WEEK: 6

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Perine is undraftable in all traditional league sizes and formats, but he would see a major role if Chase Brown were injured.

While Perine won't factor into anyone's draft plans, he has carved out a consistent role on third downs and would see extra action if Chase Brown were lost for extended action. Last year, Perine chipped in 382 rushing yards and a trio of scores, and he has generated at least 81 PPR points in five straight years across multiple teams. Nothing special, but he has a pulse.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DEN | 17 | 53 | 238 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 50 | 455 | 0 | 121.3 |
| 2024 | KC | 17 | 20 | 92 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 322 | 1 | 81.4 |
| 2025 | CIN | 15 | 84 | 382 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 17 | 87 | 0 | 77.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 51 | 214 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 147 | 1 | 69.1 |

## 61

## JAYDON BLUE

5-9/198/AGE: 22

**EFP: 65.6**

BYE WEEK: 14

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The sample size is minuscule, so any investment in Blue is just hoping for a Javonte Williams injury. There's best-ball appeal.

In the event Javonte Williams were to miss significant time, expect a combination of Blue and Malik Davis to split the workload, with the former serving as more of a change-up and third-down choice. Blue saw touches in only five games as a rookie, and just one of his chances was a target. The strongest effort: 16 carries, 64 yards, one TD in Week 18 at the Giants. Fantasy owners can work with that in a bind, but he's unlikely to matter without a Williams injury.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | DAL | 5 | 38 | 129 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 20.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 49 | 196 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 140 | 2 | 65.6 |

## 62

## DEMOND CLAIBORNE

5-10/188/AGE: 22

**EFP: 65.2**

BYE WEEK: 6

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Claiborne is a dynamic threat who could force his way onto the field to give this backfield more juice. Stay tuned.

Selected with the 198th overall pick in this year's draft, Claiborne is guaranteed nothing. He sits firmly behind the veteran tandem of Aaron Jones Sr. and Jordan Mason on the depth chart, and he'll likely be in a battle with holdover Zavier Scott (212 total yards, one TD in 2025) for the third (and possibly final) spot. What Claiborne does have is speed. On a team with questions at quarterback, having a big-play threat in the backfield carries sizable appeal. If the rookie makes the club, he bears watching.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 47 | 254 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 98 | 1 | 65.2 |

## 63

## KAELON BLACK

5-9/208/AGE: 24

**EFP: 64.0**

BYE WEEK: 8

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The rookie will fight for an RB2 spot and would be a handcuff for CMC if that materializes in Black's favor.

The Niners have struggled to find a primary backup for Christian McCaffrey, especially during the draft, and last year's top reserve, Brian Robinson Jr., was a one-and-done. In Round 3 of April's draft, Black became the team's latest attempt to create stability behind CMC, who is coming off the NFL's largest RB touch tally since 2014. The rookie from Indiana will battle 2025 fifth-rounder Jordan James in camp. Unless he falters in his RB2 bid, Black's one-cut-and-go style makes him the preferred handcuff to McCaffrey.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 77 | 331 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 59 | 0 | 64.0 |

## 64

## BRIAN ROBINSON JR.

6-1/225/AGE: 27

**EFP: 63.2**

BYE WEEK: 11

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Robinson is a handcuff to Bijan Robinson and/or a speculative buy if you're into stockpiling backups with huge upside.

The Falcons turned to Robinson to back up the other man sharing his surname. Tua Tagovailoa is on track to start at QB for the injured Michael Penix Jr., which is a small upgrade. The offensive line took a step back on the right side. After migrating from San Fran, BRJ is fresh and could spell Bijan Robinson enough to approach Tyler Allgeier's 143 carries from a year ago. Handcuffing the Robinson and Robinson law firm is a must.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | WAS | 15 | 178 | 733 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 36 | 368 | 4 | 198.1 |
| 2024 | WAS | 14 | 187 | 799 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 20 | 159 | 0 | 159.8 |
| 2025 | SF | 17 | 92 | 400 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 25 | 0 | 62.5 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 103 | 433 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 10 | 59 | 0 | 63.2 |

## 65

## ADAM RANDALL

6-3/232/AGE: 22

**EFP: 63.1**

BYE WEEK: 13

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Unless Derrick Henry gets injured, there won't be a large enough role for Randall to matter.

The Ravens drafted Randall in Round 5 as a bruiser with a similar profile to Derrick Henry. At 6-foot-3, 232 pounds, the former Clemson Tiger is a load to take down, and he gives the offense the truest replacement option for spelling King Henry as well as replacing him for extended time, if needed. Justice Hill should continue to handle third-down work, but Randall is an intriguing flier who could soar up draft boards with a strong camp. He's a clear handcuff for Henry owners.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 66 | 297 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 94 | 0 | 63.1 |

## 66

## RAY DAVIS

5-8/211/AGE: 26

**EFP: 60.3**

BYE WEEK: 7

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Davis probably is too low on this list. He took a step back last year but is a handcuff for James Cook III owners.

While not exactly a true handcuff, Davis is the closest thing to one in Buffalo. Davis would be the primary replacement if James Cook III were injured, though some degree of a committee would occur with Ty Johnson, the typical third-down man, seeing more reps in general. Davis is no slouch as a receiver, either, as evidenced by five aerial scores over his 27 career catches. Despite per-carry efficiency gains on the ground in 2025, he failed to score a rushing touchdown.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | BUF | 17 | 113 | 442 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 189 | 3 | 116.1 |
| 2025 | BUF | 17 | 58 | 275 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 86 | 2 | 58.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 69 | 317 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 76 | 1 | 60.3 |

## 67

## KAYTRON ALLEN

5-11/217/AGE: 23

**EFP: 60.1**

BYE WEEK: 7

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Watch Allen's battle with Jacory Croskey-Merritt. The rookie could fly up draft boards.

Sixth-round rookies have to earn it, and Allen will be competing to overtake last year's seventh-rounder, Jacory Croskey-Merritt, as Washington's lead back on early downs. Allen is a thick 5-foot-11, 217 pounds from Penn State. He has good vision and contact balance, but his athletic profile is underwhelming, and he offers marginal value as a receiver. That's where veteran newcomer Rachaad White factors in. Allen has two veterans behind him, too, so he's not quite a roster lock. Watch his progression during the summer.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 57 | 239 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 72 | 0 | 60.1 |

## 68

## JONATHON BROOKS

6-0/207/AGE: 23

**EFP: 57.8**

**BYE WEEK: 5**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Two ACL tears of the same knee and competition in Trevor Etienne and Chuba Hubbard depress Brooks' value.

The 2024 second-round draft pick is recovering from a second ACL tear in his right knee; the latest one was suffered in December 2024. He sat out all of last year and is now on track for a healthy return. Now, whether Brooks has any juice left is a different story. He's likely to split reps with Chuba Hubbard, who has missed time in the past two years with separate calf injuries. Treat Brooks as a late-round flier and track his progress through the preseason.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | CAR | 3 | 9 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 23 | 0 | 7.5 |
| 2025 | CAR | | | | | DNP - INJURY | | | | | |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 99 | 386 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 32 | 0 | 57.8 |

## 69

## BRASHARD SMITH

5-10/196/AGE: 23

**EFP: 55.9**

**BYE WEEK: 5**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Smith's only role of note will come if he beats out rookie Emmett Johnson and Kenneth Walker III gets dinged.

Kansas City overhauled its running back room during the offseason, allowing Isiah Pacheco and Kareem Hunt to walk, signing Kenneth Walker III and Emari Demercado and drafting Emmett Johnson. As such, the top returning runner is Smith, who finished fourth on the team in 2025 with 151 yards on 44 carries, adding a 25-172-1 line as a pass-catcher. Smith is a converted receiver, so there could be untapped potential there. Still, KC didn't sign Walker for big money to sit him, leaving whoever emerges as RB2 with limited appeal.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | KC | 17 | 44 | 151 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 172 | 1 | 63.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 46 | 175 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 104 | 1 | 55.9 |

## 70

## SEAN TUCKER

5-10/205/AGE: 24

**EFP: 53.0**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Predicting sporadic one-yard touchdown plunges is a fool's errand. Don't be a fool.

Typically, when teams bring in a No. 2 running back, the player's skill set is diversified from that of the starter. Tampa did just the opposite when signing Kenneth Gainwell behind Bucky Irving. This ensures two things: Tucker, a violent runner who lacks in the receiving department, will remain in a compartmentalized role, and he remains no closer to meaningful fantasy involvement should Irving suffer another injury-plagued season.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | TB | 11 | 15 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 9 | 0 | 5.2 |
| 2024 | TB | 17 | 50 | 308 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 109 | 1 | 68.7 |
| 2025 | TB | 17 | 86 | 320 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 34 | 1 | 91.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 59 | 224 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 26 | 0 | 53.0 |

## 71

## MIKE WASHINGTON JR.

6-2/228/AGE: 23

**EFP: 48.6**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The late Al Davis approves, whereas Ashton Jeanty says to pump the brakes.

Las Vegas elected not to bring back Raheem Mostert or Zamir White, officially opening the backup job. While nothing is promised, Washington should be given every chance to lock down that spot over Dylan Laube. Selected in the fourth round out of Arkansas, Washington has good patience, blazing speed, and more elusiveness than you might expect from a back who checks in at 6-foot-2, 228 pounds. If he can secure the No. 2 job, Washington could hold some handcuff value for owners rostering Ashton Jeanty.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 57 | 302 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 24 | 0 | 48.6 |

## 72

## TREVOR ETIENNE

5-9/198/AGE: 22

**EFP: 46.3**

**BYE WEEK: 5**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Etienne has less upside than Jonathon Brooks, but we just need to see something in camp before being sold on either.

Etienne will compete for backup touches behind presumed RB1 Chuba Hubbard, with Jonathon Brooks as the primary challenger. Expect some form of a rotational approach after Hubbard struggled with separate calf injuries in consecutive years. As a 2025 rookie, Etienne ran 20 times for 94 yards and failed to score, chipping in 13 yards on three catches. The sample size is minuscule, so track the camp and preseason competition.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | CAR | 17 | 20 | 94 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 13 | 0 | 11.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 58 | 255 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 58 | 0 | 46.3 |

## 73

## JEROME FORD

5-10/210/AGE: 27

**EFP: 45.9**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Ford has at least four backs' worth of competition just to make the roster.

The fifth-year pro comes over from Cleveland after a diminished role in 2024 and a 2025 season shortened to just 13 games because of a shoulder injury. He'll compete for a role with the likes of veteran Rachaad White, second-year Jacory Croskey-Merritt, rookie Kaytron Allen and Jeremy McNichols. Allen and Croskey-Merritt aren't in Ford's class as a receiver, so his likeliest challenger is White. Barring something unexpected, Ford may struggle to make the final roster.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CLE | 17 | 204 | 813 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 44 | 319 | 5 | 211.2 |
| 2024 | CLE | 14 | 104 | 565 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 37 | 225 | 0 | 134.0 |
| 2025 | CLE | 13 | 24 | 73 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 103 | 0 | 43.6 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 43 | 176 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 83 | 0 | 45.9 |

## 74

## DJ GIDDENS

6-0/212/AGE: 23

**EFP: 44.7**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Intriguing physical tools didn't translate to anything last year, but Jonathan Taylor has a lot of wear and tear.

As a rookie, Giddens appeared in nine games, turning 26 carries into 96 yards. He fell out of favor for a time and was a frequent healthy scratch throughout November and December, but Giddens enters 2026 as the leader in the clubhouse for the backup job in Indianapolis. Seventh-round pick Seth McGowan could also factor into the equation after rushing for a dozen touchdowns for Kentucky in 2025. Whoever emerges will only hold value as a handcuff to Jonathan Taylor as Indy rarely takes its top back off the field.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | IND | 9 | 26 | 96 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9.6 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 70 | 280 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 17 | 0 | 44.7 |

## 75

## JONAH COLEMAN

5-8/220/AGE: 23

**EFP: 44.3**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Coleman could sneak into the fantasy conversation if/when J.K. Dobbins sprains his everything.

At 5-foot-8, 220 pounds, Coleman is a bulldozer. In addition to being adept in short-yardage situations, the fourth-round pick has shown exceptional ball security with three fumbles in four collegiate seasons. That generates some red-zone potential for a back who would otherwise struggle to generate much interest among fantasy owners as he sits behind J.K. Dobbins and RJ Harvey (and perhaps Jaleel McLaughlin) on the depth chart. Beyond that, it appears Coleman's clearest path to playing time is via the passing game, as he has good hands and is solid as a pass-blocker.

| Year | Team | GP | Rush Att | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | 100 YG | Fum-lost | Rec | Rec Yds | Rec TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 54 | 238 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 35 | 0 | 44.3 |

JA'MARR CHASE

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# WR

## STAFF TOP 12s

| LUKE EASTERLING | CRAIG ELLENPORT | MARK ROSS | CORY BONINI | KYLE WOOD |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Ja'Marr Chase | 1. Ja'Marr Chase | 1. Ja'Marr Chase | 1. Ja'Marr Chase | 1. Ja'Marr Chase |
| 2. Jaxon Smith-Njigba | 2. Puka Nacua | 2. Jaxon Smith-Njigba | 2. Jaxon Smith-Njigba | 2. Jaxon Smith-Njigba |
| 3. Puka Nacua | 3. Jaxon Smith-Njigba | 3. Puka Nacua | 3. Puka Nacua | 3. Puka Nacua |
| 4. CeeDee Lamb | 4. Amon-Ra St. Brown | 4. Amon-Ra St. Brown | 4. Amon-Ra St. Brown | 4. Amon-Ra St. Brown |
| 5. Amon-Ra St. Brown | 5. Justin Jefferson | 5. Justin Jefferson | 5. Justin Jefferson | 5. CeeDee Lamb |
| 6. Justin Jefferson | 6. CeeDee Lamb | 6. CeeDee Lamb | 6. CeeDee Lamb | 6. Malik Nabers |
| 7. Drake London | 7. Drake London | 7. Nico Collins | 7. Emeka Egbuka | 7. Justin Jefferson |
| 8. Nico Collins | 8. Malik Nabers | 8. Drake London | 8. Tetairoa McMillan | 8. Drake London |
| 9. Malik Nabers | 9. George Pickens | 9. Chris Olave | 9. George Pickens | 9. Nico Collins |
| 10. George Pickens | 10. Nico Collins | 10. Tetairoa McMillan | 10. Drake London | 10. Chris Olave |
| 11. A.J. Brown | 11. DJ Moore | 11. Emeka Egbuka | 11. Chris Olave | 11. A.J. Brown |
| 12. Davante Adams | 12. Tetairoa McMillan | 12. Zay Flowers | 12. Nico Collins | 12. George Pickens |

|  | LUKE EASTERLING | CRAIG ELLENPORT | MARK ROSS | CORY BONINI | KYLE WOOD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Top Rookie | Carnell Tate | Carnell Tate | Jordyn Tyson | Jordyn Tyson | Carnell Tate |
| Sleeper | Jalen McMillan | Luther Burden III | Rome Odunze | Luther Burden III | DJ Moore |
| Deep Sleeper | Ryan Flournoy | Kyle Williams | Tre Tucker | Tre' Harris | Michael Pittman Jr. |
| Bounce-Back | Brian Thomas Jr. | Rashee Rice | Terry McLaurin | Justin Jefferson | Ladd McConkey |
| Bust | Rashee Rice | Zay Flowers | Brian Thomas Jr. | Rashee Rice | Drake London |
| Injury Risk | Chris Olave | Tee Higgins | Davante Adams | Chris Olave | Ricky Pearsall |

## 2026 RANKINGS

| | Rk | Player | Team | Bye |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ | 1 | **Ja'Marr Chase** | CIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 2 | **Jaxon Smith-Njigba** | SEA | 11 |
| ☐ | 3 | **Puka Nacua** | LAR | 11 |
| ☐ | 4 | **Amon-Ra St. Brown** | DET | 6 |
| ☐ | 5 | **Justin Jefferson** | MIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 6 | **CeeDee Lamb** | DAL | 14 |
| ☐ | 7 | **Emeka Egbuka** | TB | 10 |
| ☐ | 8 | **Tetairoa McMillan** | CAR | 5 |
| ☐ | 9 | **George Pickens** | DAL | 14 |
| ☐ | 10 | **Drake London** | ATL | 11 |
| ☐ | 11 | **Chris Olave** | NO | 8 |
| ☐ | 12 | **Nico Collins** | HOU | 8 |
| ☐ | 13 | **Zay Flowers** | BAL | 13 |
| ☐ | 14 | **Terry McLaurin** | WAS | 7 |
| ☐ | 15 | **A.J. Brown** | NE | 11 |
| ☐ | 16 | **DeVonta Smith** | PHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 17 | **Courtland Sutton** | DEN | 10 |
| ☐ | 18 | **Malik Nabers** | NYG | 8 |
| ☐ | 19 | **Luther Burden III** | CHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 20 | **Brian Thomas Jr.** | JAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 21 | **Ladd McConkey** | LAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 22 | **Garrett Wilson** | NYJ | 13 |
| ☐ | 23 | **Jameson Williams** | DET | 6 |
| ☐ | 24 | **Tee Higgins** | CIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 25 | **Davante Adams** | LAR | 11 |
| ☐ | 26 | **DK Metcalf** | PIT | 9 |
| ☐ | 27 | **DJ Moore** | BUF | 7 |
| ☐ | 28 | **Rome Odunze** | CHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 29 | **Mike Evans** | SF | 8 |
| ☐ | 30 | **Rashee Rice** | KC | 5 |
| ☐ | 31 | **Jaylen Waddle** | DEN | 10 |
| ☐ | 32 | **Michael Pittman Jr.** | PIT | 9 |
| ☐ | 33 | **Marvin Harrison Jr.** | ARI | 14 |
| ☐ | 34 | **Alec Pierce** | IND | 13 |
| ☐ | 35 | **Jayden Reed** | GB | 11 |

| | Rk | Player | Team | Bye |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ | 36 | **Michael Wilson** | ARI | 14 |
| ☐ | 37 | **Chris Godwin** | TB | 10 |
| ☐ | 38 | **Jakobi Meyers** | JAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 39 | **Jerry Jeudy** | CLE | 11 |
| ☐ | 40 | **Josh Downs** | IND | 13 |
| ☐ | 41 | **Christian Watson** | GB | 11 |
| ☐ | 42 | **Parker Washington** | JAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 43 | **Jordan Addison** | MIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 44 | **Xavier Worthy** | KC | 5 |
| ☐ | 45 | **Quentin Johnston** | LAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 46 | **Romeo Doubs** | NE | 11 |
| ☐ | 47 | **Wan'Dale Robinson** | TEN | 9 |
| ☐ | 48 | **Jordyn Tyson** (R) | NO | 8 |
| ☐ | 49 | **Khalil Shakir** | BUF | 7 |
| ☐ | 50 | **Tre Tucker** | LV | 13 |
| ☐ | 51 | **Matthew Golden** | GB | 11 |
| ☐ | 52 | **Jayden Higgins** | HOU | 8 |
| ☐ | 53 | **Rashid Shaheed** | SEA | 11 |
| ☐ | 54 | **Tre' Harris** | LAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 55 | **Makai Lemon** (R) | PHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 56 | **Carnell Tate** (R) | TEN | 9 |
| ☐ | 57 | **Ricky Pearsall** | SF | 8 |
| ☐ | 58 | **Jack Bech** | LV | 13 |
| ☐ | 59 | **Antonio Williams** (R) | WAS | 7 |
| ☐ | 60 | **Troy Franklin** | DEN | 10 |
| ☐ | 61 | **KC Concepcion** (R) | CLE | 11 |
| ☐ | 62 | **Germie Bernard** (R) | PIT | 9 |
| ☐ | 63 | **Rashod Bateman** | BAL | 13 |
| ☐ | 64 | **Jauan Jennings** | MIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 65 | **Cooper Kupp** | SEA | 11 |
| ☐ | 66 | **Andrei Iosivas** | CIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 67 | **Xavier Legette** | CAR | 5 |
| ☐ | 68 | **Jalen Coker** | CAR | 5 |
| ☐ | 69 | **Ryan Flournoy** | DAL | 14 |
| ☐ | 70 | **Jalen McMillan** | TB | 10 |

## AVERAGE DEPTH OF TARGET

| Highest WR aDOT | | Team | TGT | aDOT |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | **Alec Pierce** | IND | 84 | 18.9 |
| 2 | **Christian Watson** | GB | 55 | 17.8 |
| 3 | **Kayshon Boutte** | NE | 46 | 17.0 |
| 4 | **Isaiah Bond** | CLE | 44 | 17.0 |
| 5 | **Adonai Mitchell** | 2TM | 74 | 14.9 |
| 6 | **Brian Thomas Jr.** | JAC | 91 | 14.5 |
| 7 | **Ricky Pearsall** | SF | 53 | 14.1 |
| 8 | **Rome Odunze** | CHI | 90 | 13.9 |
| 9 | **Darnell Mooney** | ATL | 72 | 13.9 |
| 10 | **Terry McLaurin** | WAS | 60 | 13.9 |
| 11 | **Jordan Addison** | MIN | 79 | 13.7 |
| 12 | **Mike Evans** | TB | 62 | 13.3 |
| 13 | **Jaylen Waddle** | MIA | 100 | 13.1 |
| 14 | **Tee Higgins** | CIN | 98 | 13.1 |
| 15 | **Mack Hollins** | NE | 65 | 13.0 |

| Lowest WR aDOT | | Team | TGT | aDOT |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | **Khalil Shakir** | BUF | 95 | 3.7 |
| 2 | **Rashee Rice** | KC | 78 | 4.3 |
| 3 | **Malik Washington** | MIA | 65 | 4.9 |
| 4 | **Deebo Samuel Sr.** | WAS | 99 | 5.2 |
| 5 | **John Metchie III** | 2TM | 48 | 5.6 |
| 6 | **JuJu Smith-Schuster** | KC | 45 | 5.6 |
| 7 | **Olamide Zaccheaus** | CHI | 65 | 6.7 |
| 8 | **Christian Kirk** | HOU | 52 | 6.8 |
| 9 | **Chris Godwin** | TB | 51 | 7.0 |
| 10 | **Josh Downs** | IND | 88 | 7.2 |
| 11 | **Cooper Kupp** | SEA | 70 | 7.4 |
| 12 | **Tyler Lockett** | 2TM | 55 | 7.6 |
| 13 | **Luther Burden III** | CHI | 60 | 7.7 |
| 14 | **Tre' Harris** | LAC | 43 | 7.7 |
| 15 | **Travis Hunter** | JAC | 43 | 7.8 |

## INJURY CONCERNS

**TANK DELL,** HOUSTON Dell suffered the most severe injury of any receiver in this group when he dislocated his knee and tore multiple ligaments on Dec. 21, 2024, including the ACL, with meniscus damage during Houston's loss to Kansas City. The injury required multiple surgeries and cost him the entire 2025 season. Houston has taken a deliberately cautious approach. Dell has publicly said he feels "back," but the Texans have avoided putting a firm timetable on him and are still treating the rehab as a long-range process. He should be expected to return at some point in 2026, but until Houston gives a clearer summer update, it's anyone's guess when we'll see him again.

**TYREEK HILL,** FREE AGENT This was one of the nastiest fantasy injuries in recent memory. Hill's dislocated knee and multi-ligament reconstruction legitimately could spell the end of his career. At a minimum, it's unwise to expect him to return to form at 32, provided a team is willing to assume the risk and off-field frustrations that are baked into signing the Cheetah.

**TRAVIS HUNTER,** JACKSONVILLE Hunter is currently expected to be a limited offseason participant with the goal of being full speed for training camp and beyond. The Jaguars have moved him to a full-time cornerback role, though it'll be surprising if he is not sprinkled in on occasion as a receiver. Either way, Hunter isn't a viable fantasy draft target.

**MALIK NABERS,** N.Y. GIANTS The Giants placed Nabers on the Reserve/Injured list on Sept. 29, following a torn ACL with cartilage damage. He is on track for training camp and was present for the start of voluntary workouts. Count on Nabers facing some degree of snap management during the summer that will carry into the early stages of the regular season.

**ALEC PIERCE,** INDIANAPOLIS Pierce underwent cleanup ankle surgery in April after playing through pain during the 2025 season. The Colts have said the recovery is about three months, which should put him back on the field for training camp. As of now, this looks more like a short-term offseason issue than a problem that should linger into the season.

**CALVIN RIDLEY,** TENNESSEE In last season's Week 11 meeting with Houston, Ridley suffered a fractured fibula and high-ankle sprain. He is on schedule for the season opener as he nears his 32nd birthday (Dec. 20), and Tennessee restructured the veteran's contract to keep him around.

**GARRETT WILSON,** N.Y. JETS Wilson hyperextended his knee last October, returned, then aggravated the same knee and wound up on injured reserve in November. He looks to be on track for camp and Week 1 unless something changes.

JAXON SMITH-NJIGBA

## 01

## JA'MARR CHASE

6-0/205/AGE: 26

**EFP: 384.4**

BYE WEEK: 6

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Arguably no WR presents the floor-to-ceiling ratio of Chase. He's the No. 1 overall pick if you opt to bypass Bijan Robinson and Jahmyr Gibbs.

If you own the No. 1 overall pick in your fantasy draft, Chase is on the short list of viable candidates for that spot. The one-time LSU standout has topped 1,000 yards in each of his five seasons, and he's logged 100-plus receptions three straight years. Along with that level of statistical consistency has come durability — he's missed more than a game in a season just once. If there's an asterisk to be found, it stems from Joe Burrow's issues staying healthy, though Joe Flacco ranks among the NFL's more capable QB2s, and he and Chase showed chemistry in 2025.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CIN | 16 | 100 | 1,216 | 7 | 145 | 69.0% | 5 | 0 | -6 | 0 | 262.7 |
| 2024 | CIN | 17 | 127 | 1,708 | 17 | 175 | 72.6% | 5 | 0 | 32 | 0 | 403.0 |
| 2025 | CIN | 16 | 125 | 1,412 | 8 | 185 | 67.6% | 7 | 1 | 14 | 0 | 313.6 |
| 2026 PROJ | | | 131 | 1,677 | 14 | 187 | 70.0% | 8 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 384.4 |

## 02

## JAXON SMITH-NJIGBA

6-0/202/AGE: 24

**EFP: 352.7**

BYE WEEK: 11

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

JSN remains among the best WR1 picks and is in the conversation for No. 1, but what happens if Sam Darnold gets injured? Scary thought.

Smith-Njigba is coming off a fantasy season he probably won't be able to top. That said, it's even more impressive since JSN dominates the Seattle passing game with a league-high 35.8% target share. Everyone knew he was going to get the ball but still couldn't stop him. Barring an injury, the former Buckeye will continue to shine working with Sam Darnold. He doesn't have any fresh competition for touches, and one could argue JSN could see even more looks if rookie RB Jadarian Price doesn't adequately replace Kenneth Walker III and Zach Charbonnet early on.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SEA | 17 | 63 | 628 | 4 | 93 | 67.7% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 149.8 |
| 2024 | SEA | 17 | 100 | 1,130 | 6 | 137 | 73.0% | 3 | 0 | 26 | 0 | 253.4 |
| 2025 | SEA | 17 | 119 | 1,793 | 10 | 163 | 73.0% | 9 | 1 | 36 | 0 | 359.9 |
| 2026 PROJ | | | 112 | 1,658 | 12 | 156 | 72.0% | 9 | 0 | 29 | 0 | 352.7 |

PUKA NACUA

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AMON-RA ST. BROWN

## 03 PUKA NACUA

6-2/216/AGE: 25

**EFP: 322.5**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Off-field issues drive down his floor. If those didn't exist, he'd be the WR1 and possibly No. 1 overall.

On the field, there might not be a better all-around receiver than Nacua. He led the NFL in receptions (129) and yards per game (107.2), and he tied for sixth in touchdowns (10). He works downfield, over the middle and underneath. Even while the veterans around him have underwhelmed, Nacua continues to excel. Off the field, it's another story. Nacua checked into a rehab facility this offseason amid various allegations, and it's plausible that a suspension could be forthcoming. It's a dark cloud for a player who otherwise deserves serious consideration as the No. 1 overall pick.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LAR | 17 | 105 | 1,486 | 6 | 160 | 65.6% | 7 | 0 | 89 | 0 | 298.5 |
| 2024 | LAR | 11 | 79 | 990 | 3 | 106 | 74.5% | 5 | 0 | 46 | 1 | 206.6 |
| 2025 | LAR | 16 | 129 | 1,715 | 10 | 166 | 77.7% | 6 | 1 | 105 | 1 | 375.0 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 111 | 1,454 | 9 | 152 | 73.0% | 7 | 0 | 61 | 1 | 322.5 |

JUNFU HAN (2)

## 04 AMON-RA ST. BROWN

6-0/202/AGE: 26

**EFP: 319.5**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Unless there's an injury to ASB or Jared Goff, the USC receiver is about as fantasy-safe as they make 'em.

In five NFL campaigns, St. Brown has averaged 109 receptions, 1,250 yards and nine TDs per season. That's top-tier production, even while it understates who he's become as a talent, particularly in the red zone, where he's scored 33 TDs in the past three years. Any concerns about the loss of Ben Johnson proved unfounded as well. Durability has been a hallmark of St. Brown's career, having only missed two games, and his consistency is excellent for a position that often sees substantial swings from week to week. He's as safe a first-round pick as fantasy owners can make.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DET | 16 | 119 | 1,515 | 10 | 164 | 72.6% | 9 | 1 | 24 | 0 | 330.9 |
| 2024 | DET | 17 | 115 | 1,263 | 12 | 141 | 81.6% | 4 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 316.3 |
| 2025 | DET | 17 | 117 | 1,401 | 11 | 172 | 68.0% | 5 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 324.0 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 114 | 1,391 | 10 | 156 | 73.0% | 6 | 1 | 14 | 1 | 319.5 |

## 05 JUSTIN JEFFERSON

6-1/195/AGE: 27

**EFP: 317.7**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

This ranking is aggressive and banking on Kevin O'Connell getting the most out of new QB Kyler Murray.

Stuck catching passes from J.J. McCarthy, Carson Wentz and Max Brosmer, Jefferson endured the worst season of his career, establishing career lows in yardage and touchdowns — despite appearing in only 10 games in 2023. The Vikings signed Kyler Murray during the offseason, but how much does that move the needle? Murray was QB1 in Arizona for seven years, making the majority of the starts five times. During that stretch, the Cardinals had one 1,000-yard receiver. As a talent, Jefferson is in the conversation for the NFL's best. Given his quarterback situation, however, it's caveat emptor.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | MIN | 10 | 68 | 1,074 | 5 | 100 | 68.0% | 5 | 1 | -12 | 0 | 202.2 |
| 2024 | MIN | 17 | 103 | 1,533 | 10 | 154 | 66.9% | 5 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 317.7 |
| 2025 | MIN | 17 | 84 | 1,048 | 2 | 141 | 59.6% | 3 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 201.5 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 107 | 1,498 | 10 | 165 | 65% | 5 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 317.7 |

JUSTIN JEFFERSON

## 06 CEEDEE LAMB

6-2/198/AGE: 27

**EFP: 286.2**

**BYE WEEK: 14**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Banking on a rebound is wise, and Dallas' alpha is a top-15 fantasy pick in all formats.

An ankle sprain cost Lamb three games in 2025, and he slipped all the way to PPR WR21, averaging 14.4 fantasy points in what was his worst season since his rookie year of 2020. The Cowboys worked on improving the defense in the offseason, which could take time to jell and lead to more catch-up offense, but Dallas will remain committed to throwing the ball. George Pickens' return on a franchise tag keeps the core offense together, and Lamb's healthy return should lead to more explosive plays.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DAL | 17 | 135 | 1,749 | 12 | 181 | 74.6% | 8 | 2 | 113 | 2 | 403.2 |
| 2024 | DAL | 15 | 101 | 1,194 | 6 | 152 | 66.4% | 3 | 1 | 70 | 0 | 263.4 |
| 2025 | DAL | 14 | 75 | 1,077 | 3 | 117 | 64.1% | 6 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 200.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 99 | 1,396 | 8 | 143 | 69.0% | 5 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 286.2 |

CEEDEE LAMB

EMEKA EGBUKA

## 07 EMEKA EGBUKA

6-1/205/AGE: 23

**EFP: 266.2**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

A true breakout awaits Egbuka, which this projection reflects. He's a No. 2 for most fantasy drafters, so take advantage of the savings.

Positioned for a massive leap in 2026, Egbuka already showcased his skill set as a rookie, exploding onto the scene before slowing drastically as Baker Mayfield's play suffered due to injuries of his own and to those around him. Mike Evans missed most of 2025 and is now a 49er. The Bucs are on their fifth OC in as many years, but Mayfield returns for familiarity. Egbuka should be a target hog, especially if oft-injured Chris Godwin can't stay healthy, but Baker needs to improve. This is a risky projection, but Egbuka has WR1 hallmarks worth betting on.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | TB | 17 | 63 | 938 | 6 | 127 | 49.6% | 3 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 195.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 90 | 1,278 | 8 | 143 | 63.0% | 5 | 1 | 14 | 0 | 266.2 |

## 08 TETAIROA McMILLAN

6-4/219/AGE: 23

**EFP: 259.2**

**BYE WEEK: 5**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Consider this ranking a reflection of skepticism over just how much more can be squeezed from Bryce Young.

After entering the league as the 2025 eighth-overall pick, McMillan quickly proved himself to anyone who doubted how effectively his marginal athletic profile would translate to the pros. He and QB Bryce Young quickly developed chemistry that led to Offensive Rookie of the Year honors for the Arizona standout. McMillan would go on to finish PPR WR15 in an otherwise lackluster offense. Young still has room for growth, and McMillan should see the game slow down even more in Year 2. Carolina didn't upgrade the offense in a way that will cut into his hearty 25.4% target share.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | CAR | 17 | 70 | 1,014 | 7 | 122 | 57.4% | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 211.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 88 | 1,232 | 8 | 142 | 62.0% | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 259.2 |

TETAIROA McMILLAN

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## 09

## GEORGE PICKENS

6-3/200/AGE: 25

**EFP: 258.2**

**BYE WEEK: 14**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

With a massive payday on the line, teams want to see Pickens do it again. He will. Defenses cannot guard everyone in this offense.

In Dallas, Pickens became the player fantasy owners dreamed of during his Pittsburgh days. Opposite CeeDee Lamb, Pickens thrived, and he picked up the slack when his running mate was nursing a sprained ankle. All told, the numbers were good enough for PPR WR5 thanks to a well-rounded 93-1,429-9 line. He signed his franchise tender and is expected to play for that monster check after his upcoming age-25 campaign. Pickens drew 22.6% of the targets with an 11.6 aDOT, and just 14 WRs saw more of their targets come in the red zone.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | PIT | 17 | 63 | 1,140 | 5 | 106 | 59.4% | 5 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 208.8 |
| 2024 | PIT | 14 | 59 | 900 | 3 | 103 | 57.3% | 2 | 1 | -6 | 0 | 164.4 |
| 2025 | DAL | 17 | 93 | 1,429 | 9 | 137 | 67.9% | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 291.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 84 | 1,268 | 8 | 135 | 62.0% | 5 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 258.2 |

DRAKE LONDON

## 10

## DRAKE LONDON

6-4/215/AGE: 25

**EFP: 249.4**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

London will be fed regardless of the QB, and he's a stronger WR1 case in reception-rewarding formats than non-PPR.

Even though London missed five games in 2025, take solace that his per-game average was higher than the prior year's breakout season. The USC standout broke through in 2024 with a 100-1,271-9 line in his third campaign, but hip and knee injuries over separate stints limited last season's raw production totals to 68 catches, 919 yards and seven scores on a 21.6% target share. Michael Penix Jr. is recovering from his third ACL tear, so Tua Tagovailoa is expected to start the year. London has shown to be mostly QB-proof, and he'll benefit from Kevin Stefanski's intermediate passing attack.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | ATL | 16 | 69 | 905 | 2 | 110 | 62.7% | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 173.6 |
| 2024 | ATL | 17 | 100 | 1,271 | 9 | 158 | 63.3% | 3 | 0 | -3 | 0 | 280.8 |
| 2025 | ATL | 12 | 68 | 919 | 7 | 112 | 60.7% | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 201.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 89 | 1,184 | 7 | 144 | 62.0% | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 249.4 |

## 11

## CHRIS OLAVE

6-0/187/AGE: 26

**EFP: 247.6**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

There's risk involved with Olave as a WR1. Ideally, he would be a much stronger No. 2, which softens the blow should he miss time.

Wrapping up a career-best fantasy season after a lost 2024, Olave found himself in a scary situation when doctors found a blood clot in his lung prior to Week 18. It was caught early, and he's expected to be fully healed well ahead of Week 1. There's cause for concern over Olave's durability after multiple concussions, however. The Ohio State star displayed chemistry with his rookie quarterback a year ago, and Tyler Shough figures to take another step forward. Olave will have a new running mate in another fellow first-rounder after Jordyn Tyson was selected in April.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NO | 16 | 87 | 1,123 | 5 | 138 | 63.0% | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 231.3 |
| 2024 | NO | 8 | 32 | 400 | 1 | 44 | 72.7% | 1 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 76.7 |
| 2025 | NO | 16 | 100 | 1,163 | 9 | 156 | 64.10% | 3 | 0 | -3 | 0 | 269.0 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 92 | 1,132 | 7 | 142 | 65.0% | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 247.6 |

CHRIS OLAVE

## 12

## NICO COLLINS

6-4/222/AGE: 27

**EFP: 241.0**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

On pure talent alone, Collins has upside for top-five production, but this projection accounts for his risky floor.

Despite his being the top dog in this passing game, Collins' situation is not without its warts. The Michigan product has yet to break into double digits for touchdowns scored in a season; his quarterback C.J. Stroud is far from special; and Collins himself has yet to play a full slate in his five pro seasons. Last year, he missed Week 8 with a concussion and suffered another one in the playoffs. The sure-handed Collins is a lineup fixture when on the field, however, dropping only 0.8% of his targets despite facing a 40% poor-throw rate, which is impressive.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | HOU | 15 | 80 | 1,297 | 8 | 109 | 73.4% | 5 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 260.4 |
| 2024 | HOU | 12 | 68 | 1,006 | 7 | 99 | 68.7% | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 210.6 |
| 2025 | HOU | 15 | 71 | 1,117 | 6 | 120 | 59.2% | 3 | 1 | 15 | 1 | 226.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 78 | 1,201 | 7 | 116 | 67.0% | 4 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 241.0 |

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ZAY FLOWERS

# 13

## ZAY FLOWERS

5-9/183/AGE: 26

**EFP: 238.5**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The new offense was born from a system that makes his profile shine, though this is Flowers' ceiling.

Flowers was essentially a one-man wrecking crew for the Ravens in 2025. His 86 receptions and 1,211 yards were both considerably more than the rest of the team's wide receivers combined (they had a 51-735-8 line). It's unclear how much has changed on that front. In fact, DeAndre Hopkins and Isaiah Likely, the club's third- and fourth-leading receivers, are gone. A volume target with great after-the-catch ability, Flowers is held back from elite status by limited red-zone success.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BAL | 16 | 77 | 858 | 5 | 108 | 71.3% | 1 | 0 | 56 | 1 | 206.4 |
| 2024 | BAL | 17 | 74 | 1,059 | 4 | 116 | 63.8% | 5 | 0 | 56 | 0 | 209.5 |
| 2025 | BAL | 17 | 86 | 1,211 | 5 | 118 | 72.9% | 3 | 3 | 62 | 1 | 243.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 80 | 1,120 | 6 | 114 | 70.0% | 4 | 1 | 55 | 1 | 238.5 |

TERRY McLAURIN

# 14

## TERRY McLAURIN

6-0/210/AGE: 31

**EFP: 237.2**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Counting on McLaurin to rebound positions him favorably as a WR2 target in deeper formats. He may slide a little in casual settings.

The only thing scary about Terry in 2025 was his fantasy offerings. He suffered through both a lingering quad injury and also losing his quarterback, Jayden Daniels (elbow). In 2026, Washington's stars enter the fantasy draft season healthier, and the only really established threat to McLaurin's target share is veteran tight end Chig Okonkwo, a newcomer to the roster. Antonio Williams is an intriguing third-round rookie, and Luke McCaffrey has flashed, but no more Deebo Samuel Sr. puts this eighth-year pro firmly in the driver's seat to lead the offense.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | WAS | 17 | 79 | 1,002 | 4 | 132 | 59.8% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 203.2 |
| 2024 | WAS | 17 | 82 | 1,096 | 13 | 117 | 70.1% | 5 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 267.8 |
| 2025 | WAS | 10 | 38 | 582 | 3 | 60 | 63.3% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 114.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 76 | 1,072 | 9 | 119 | 64.0% | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 237.2 |

# 15

## A.J. BROWN

6-1/226/AGE: 29

**EFP: 234.4**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Assuming he indeed plays for the Patriots, Brown's ceiling skyrockets as reflected in this ranking.

Bear in mind, to meet print deadlines we're operating under the presumption that Brown indeed becomes a Patriot as reports indicate. We'll respond accordingly on the website if something goes sideways. Drake Maye gets a hungry Brown after his time in Philly went south, and the veteran still has WR1 returns in the tank in his age-29 season and only two years removed from consecutive 1,450-plus-yard campaigns. Brown will have some competition for volume, but he has averaged more than 16 yards per grab in three of seven seasons. Accepting his risk-reward ratio is your decider here.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | PHI | 17 | 106 | 1,456 | 7 | 158 | 67.1% | 7 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 289.6 |
| 2024 | PHI | 13 | 67 | 1,079 | 7 | 97 | 69.1% | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 216.9 |
| 2025 | PHI | 15 | 78 | 1,003 | 7 | 121 | 64.5% | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 220.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 80 | 1,064 | 8 | 119 | 67.0% | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 234.4 |

# 16

## DeVONTA SMITH

6-0/170/AGE: 27

**EFP: 229.2**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The presumed top target in Philly has only a modest target profile and needs to prove he can do it before deserving WR1 trust.

Surrounded by newcomers, Smith moves from the Eagles' 1B gig to getting a chance to prove he can carry a receiving game. Jalen Hurts has deficiencies that factor against Smith's fantasy ceiling, but we at least know there's rapport between them. The Alabama product enters Year 6 with three 1,000-plus-yard efforts after narrowly missing that threshold as a rookie and dealing with injuries in 2024. Former QB Sean Mannion is now calling plays, hoping to reignite a talented group.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | PHI | 16 | 81 | 1,066 | 7 | 112 | 72.3% | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 227.6 |
| 2024 | PHI | 13 | 68 | 833 | 8 | 89 | 76.4% | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 199.4 |
| 2025 | PHI | 17 | 77 | 1,008 | 4 | 113 | 68.1% | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 201.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 84 | 1,092 | 6 | 117 | 72.0% | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 229.2 |

DeVONTA SMITH

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## 17

## COURTLAND SUTTON

6-4/216/AGE: 30

**EFP: 228.3**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

We've likely seen the best from Sutton, and he now has more competition for targets in Jaylen Waddle. WR2 is a fair outlook.

It's a brave new world for Sutton, who has been Denver's primary receiver for the past five years. Granted, he did work with Jerry Jeudy for part of that, but he's never shared the field with someone of Jaylen Waddle's talent. With all the moves the Broncos made at receiver, many thought Sutton was on his way out heading into 2025, but he signed a four-year extension and remains a key cog on offense. His numbers have never been elite, however, and with Waddle in the mix, his output could dip.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DEN | 16 | 59 | 772 | 10 | 90 | 65.6% | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 190.2 |
| 2024 | DEN | 17 | 81 | 1,081 | 8 | 135 | 60.0% | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 240.6 |
| 2025 | DEN | 17 | 74 | 1,017 | 7 | 124 | 59.7% | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 219.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 71 | 973 | 10 | 116 | 61.0% | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 228.3 |

COURTLAND SUTTON

## 18

## MALIK NABERS

6-0/200/AGE: 23

**EFP: 226.4**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

This ranking is on the lower side due to Jaxson Dart's shortcomings as a passer and an emphasis on run-pass balance. He'll be overvalued by most drafters.

Nabers tore his ACL in Week 4 last season, which provides ample time to get physically ready for training camp and to trust the knee early in the season (although he did have spring cleanup surgery). The prior year, he erupted for 109 of 170 targets for 1,204 yards and seven scores, authoring one of the finest rookie receiver seasons ever. New York hired head coach John Harbaugh, who opted for Matt Nagy, an Andy Reid understudy, as the offensive coordinator. Nabers should once again be a target monster, this time for Jaxson Dart. Nabers offers WR1 potential later in 2026.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | NYG | 15 | 109 | 1,204 | 7 | 170 | 64.1% | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 273.6 |
| 2025 | NYG | 4 | 18 | 271 | 2 | 35 | 51.4% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 57.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 78 | 1,006 | 8 | 126 | 62.0% | 3 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 226.4 |

LUTHER BURDEN III

## 19

## LUTHER BURDEN III

6-0/210/AGE: 22

**EFP: 224.8**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

One of the wiser bets for a major breakout, Burden flashed late last year and is a worth-while WR2 target.

While netting a second-round draft pick for DJ Moore represented good value, the move seemed to be as much, if not more, about creating opportunities for Burden. As a rookie, Burden was hit or miss for most of the season's first three months before turning it on down the stretch — over the final five games, he averaged 71 yards. Now, with Moore and his 50-682-6 line gone, there should be more opportunities to get the ball in his hands. He may not be the downfield threat that Rome Odunze is, but Burden's ceiling feels higher.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | CHI | 15 | 47 | 652 | 2 | 60 | 78.3% | 2 | 0 | 37 | 0 | 127.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 78 | 1,053 | 5 | 111 | 70.0% | 4 | 0 | 55 | 1 | 224.8 |

BRIAN THOMAS JR.

## 20

## BRIAN THOMAS JR.

6-2/209/AGE: 23

**EFP: 223.6**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Thomas presents a risk-reward decision as a value buy. We've seen his ceiling and floor. Bank on something in between.

A year after finishing WR5 overall in a marvelous fantasy debut, Thomas wasn't a PPR WR3, finishing No. 42 on the year. He fought through multiple injuries, including hand/wrist and shoulder ailments, before an ankle sprain that cost him three games in November. He was so dynamic as a rookie that fantasy gamers should give Thomas the benefit of the doubt for a moderate rebound. Trevor Lawrence fared better in 2025 under Liam Coen, and Thomas doesn't have to worry about Travis Hunter or Travis Etienne Jr. stealing the show on offense.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | JAC | 17 | 87 | 1,282 | 10 | 133 | 65.4% | 4 | 0 | 48 | 0 | 284.0 |
| 2025 | JAC | 14 | 48 | 707 | 2 | 91 | 52.7% | 0 | 0 | 21 | 1 | 138.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 73 | 1,059 | 7 | 122 | 60.0% | 2 | 0 | 27 | 0 | 223.6 |

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## 21

## LADD McCONKEY

6-0/185/AGE: 24

**EFP: 222.9**

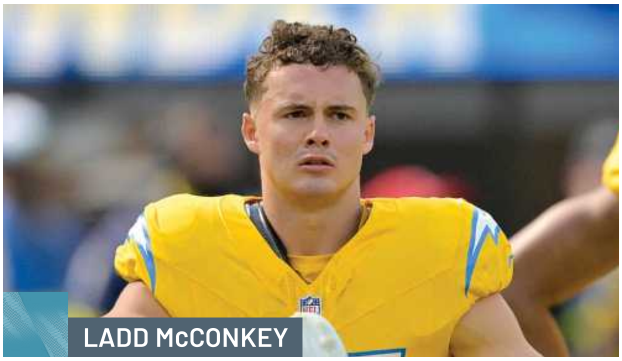
**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Something between his 2024 WR13 and last year's WR29 is a fair bet given the offensive change.

Coming off an excellent rookie season, McConkey shot up draft boards as fantasy owners anticipated even bigger things for an encore. Instead, Justin Herbert spread the ball around to an extreme degree with four players logging between 650 and 800 yards in 2025. Sure, McConkey led the way with 789, but it was a step backwards. With Keenan Allen gone (again) and Mike McDaniel hired to improve the offense, things appear to be looking up for the third-year receiver, who has shown toughness and an innate ability to get open thanks to his polished route-running.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | LAC | 16 | 82 | 1,149 | 7 | 112 | 73.2% | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 240.9 |
| 2025 | LAC | 16 | 66 | 789 | 6 | 106 | 62.3% | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 180.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 776 | 1,049 | 7 | 112 | 68% | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 222.9 |


LADD McCONKEY

## 22

## GARRETT WILSON

6-0/183/AGE: 26

**EFP: 222.8**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Competent QB play will take a healthy Wilson back into WR2 territory, and he has upside for more.

Like basically all things Jets last year, Wilson was a disaster. He missed nine games due to a hyperextended knee and mustered only 36 receptions for 395 yards when on the field, snapping a three-year 1,000-yard streak to start his career. The lone highlight: a TD every nine catches. The 2022 first-rounder is expected to remain a large part of the offense with the return of veteran quarterback Geno Smith. New York hired veteran coach Frank Reich to run the offense, so a rebound awaits a healthy Wilson with more credibility around him.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NYJ | 17 | 95 | 1,042 | 3 | 168 | 56.5% | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 213.2 |
| 2024 | NYJ | 17 | 101 | 1,104 | 7 | 154 | 65.6% | 4 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 251.9 |
| 2025 | NYJ | 7 | 36 | 395 | 4 | 59 | 61.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 99.5 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 86 | 1,015 | 6 | 141 | 61.0% | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 222.8 |

## 23

## JAMESON WILLIAMS

6-1/182/AGE: 25

**EFP: 221.3**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

A new OC and a healthy Sam LaPorta make Williams a little riskier, but his skill set can produce even with limited looks.

Injuries and suspensions marred Williams' early years, limiting him to 18 games and 25 receptions over his first two seasons. The Lions were patient, however, which started to pay off in 2024 when Williams topped 1,000 yards for the first time. He struggled at times in a post-Ben Johnson offense last year, which included four games of fewer than 25 yards in the first 11, but he rallied to set or match career bests across the board. A true game-breaking threat, Williams offers WR1 upside week to week, but a lack of consistency will push him down draft boards.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DET | 12 | 24 | 354 | 2 | 42 | 57.1% | 0 | 0 | 29 | 1 | 80.3 |
| 2024 | DET | 15 | 58 | 1,001 | 7 | 91 | 63.7% | 3 | 0 | 61 | 1 | 212.2 |
| 2025 | DET | 17 | 65 | 1,117 | 7 | 102 | 63.7% | 4 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 219.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 61 | 1,037 | 8 | 97 | 63.0% | 4 | 0 | 26 | 1 | 221.3 |

TEE HIGGINS

## 24

## TEE HIGGINS

6-4/220/AGE: 27

**EFP: 218.5**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Higgins tends to get overdrafted based on expectations over real-world returns. This placement is closer to his ceiling, and the floor is a pit.

Six years into his NFL career, Higgins still feels like someone who hasn't quite managed to put it all together. For all his talent, he's never caught 75 passes in a season or reached the 1,100-yard mark — in fact, he hasn't topped 1,000 yards since 2022. Injuries have been the biggest culprit, costing him a dozen games over the past three seasons. That includes some scary concussion issues last year. Even with that, at just 27 and with Ja'Marr Chase around to keep secondaries from keying on him, Higgins retains considerable upside.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CIN | 12 | 42 | 656 | 5 | 76 | 55.3% | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 137.6 |
| 2024 | CIN | 12 | 73 | 911 | 10 | 109 | 67.0% | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 222.1 |
| 2025 | CIN | 15 | 59 | 846 | 11 | 98 | 60.2% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 211.6 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 70 | 945 | 9 | 109 | 64.0% | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 218.5 |

## 25

## DAVANTE ADAMS

6-1/204/AGE: 33

**EFP: 217.1**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

For the first time in his career, downside might outweigh Adams' upside. However, this remains a fair price.

Signed to replace Cooper Kupp opposite Puka Nacua, Adams had an up-and-down debut in Tinseltown. He topped 100 yards in a game only once on his way to posting the lowest yardage output (789 yards) since his second season, but he also secured an NFL-best 14 touchdown grabs despite missing the final three weeks. Turning 34 in late December, Adams isn't what he was at his peak, but his route-running and hands remain elite. With no clear challenger for his role as L.A.'s No. 2 target, Adams is well-positioned for success in 2026.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LV | 17 | 103 | 1,144 | 8 | 175 | 58.9% | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 265.4 |
| 2024 | LV/NYJ | 14 | 85 | 1,063 | 8 | 141 | 60.3% | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 241.3 |
| 2025 | LAR | 14 | 60 | 789 | 14 | 114 | 52.6% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 222.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 66 | 851 | 11 | 114 | 58.0% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 217.1 |

## 26

## DK METCALF

6-4/235/AGE: 28

**EFP: 216.6**

**BYE WEEK: 9**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Metcalf's ranking is a ceiling play that banks on a more wide-open offense courtesy of new Steelers head coach Mike McCarthy.

Despite turning 43 in December, quarterback Aaron Rodgers is better for Metcalf's fantasy value than Mason Rudolph, Will Howard or rookie Drew Allar would be. If not for Metcalf's boneheaded decision to mix it up with a fan and earn a two-game suspension in December, he was tracking for a PPR WR16 finish. It's easy to be down on the former Seahawk for not reaching his career potential, but new head coach Mike McCarthy could help reestablish Metcalf among the most dangerous weapons in football.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SEA | 16 | 66 | 1,114 | 8 | 119 | 55.5% | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 225.4 |
| 2024 | SEA | 15 | 66 | 992 | 5 | 108 | 61.1% | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 191.2 |
| 2025 | PIT | 15 | 59 | 850 | 6 | 99 | 59.6% | 2 | 0 | 12 | 1 | 187.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 65 | 975 | 8 | 110 | 59.0% | 2 | 1 | 11 | 1 | 216.6 |

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## 27 DJ MOORE

6-0/213/AGE: 29

**EFP: 216.4**

BYE WEEK: 7

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

An optimistic projection, Moore has a chance to rebound in Buffalo. He'll come at a slight discount in many draft circles.

Sometimes, all it takes is a fresh start, and we saw this happen once already in Moore's career. After he ran his course in Carolina and headed to Chicago, the Year 1 explosion as a Bear resulted in 96-1,364-8. Two seasons later, Moore produced his worst fantasy season to date (50-682-6). On a high note, he's remarkably durable with 17 starts in five straight seasons and has scored at least six TDs in each of the last four years. Josh Allen needed a WR1-level target, and Moore has a primary opportunity to seize.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CHI | 17 | 96 | 1,364 | 8 | 136 | 70.6% | 5 | 1 | 21 | 1 | 286.5 |
| 2024 | CHI | 17 | 98 | 966 | 6 | 140 | 70.0% | 2 | 1 | 75 | 0 | 238.1 |
| 2025 | CHI | 17 | 50 | 682 | 6 | 85 | 58.8% | 0 | 1 | 79 | 1 | 170.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 71 | 994 | 7 | 104 | 68.0% | 2 | 1 | 50 | 0 | 216.4 |

ROME ODUNZE

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## 28 ROME ODUNZE

6-3/214/AGE: 24

**EFP: 209.2**

BYE WEEK: 10

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

This may feel like a ceiling for Odunze, but it's much closer to his midrange results. A top-12 finish isn't insane.

Odunze was red hot to open 2025, catching touchdown passes in each of the first four games. He cooled considerably after that, however, topping 50 yards three times over the next eight games with one total TD before a stress fracture in his foot sidelined him for the final five weeks. In his absence, Luther Burden III stepped up, and it creates some intrigue as to who the go-to option will be between the two wideouts and second-year TE Colston Loveland. There's enough talent and upside with Odunze to invest a mid-round pick, but his ascension doesn't feel guaranteed.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | CHI | 17 | 54 | 734 | 3 | 101 | 53.5% | 2 | 1 | 15 | 0 | 144.9 |
| 2025 | CHI | 12 | 44 | 661 | 6 | 90 | 48.9% | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 146.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 65 | 962 | 8 | 114 | 57.0% | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 209.2 |

## 29 MIKE EVANS

6-5/231/AGE: 33

**EFP: 204.4**

BYE WEEK: 8

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Evans has a TD-heavy WR2 showing left in the tank, especially if tight end George Kittle misses time this season.

Evans' illustrious record of 11 straight seasons with 1,000-plus yards to begin a career came to an unceremonious end in 2025. A serious hamstring injury followed by a fractured collarbone did him in, and the Canton-bound star ultimately moved on to San Francisco in the offseason. Brock Purdy is at least a lateral swap at QB from Baker Mayfield. There's room for a huge target share early if George Kittle (Achilles) opens on the PUP list. At 33, if Evans can stay healthy, another 1K showing isn't out of the question, but low-volume, high-TD output is more likely.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | TB | 17 | 79 | 1,255 | 13 | 136 | 58.1% | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 282.5 |
| 2024 | TB | 14 | 74 | 1,004 | 11 | 110 | 67.3% | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 240.4 |
| 2025 | TB | 8 | 30 | 368 | 3 | 62 | 48.4% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 84.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 58 | 864 | 10 | 98 | 59.0% | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 204.4 |

RASHEE RICE

## 30 RASHEE RICE

6-1/204/AGE: 26

**EFP: 196.7**

BYE WEEK: 5

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Innumerable paths to failure are factored into Rice's floor projection. If Patrick Mahomes remains on track for Week 1, Rice will vault into the top 20.

In many ways, 2025 served as a teaser of what Rice could be. Suspended for the season's first six games, the third-year pro racked up 16 receptions and three TDs in two games upon his return — he wound up posting a 17-game pace of 113 receptions, 1,213 yards, and 11 TDs. A concussion ended his season in Week 15, however, marking a second straight year he finished on IR. If he can stay healthy, and Patrick Mahomes recovers properly, Rice could push toward top-10 status among fantasy wideouts, but for someone who has missed 22 of the past 34 games, that's a big if.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | KC | 16 | 79 | 938 | 7 | 102 | 77.5% | 2 | 1 | -3 | 0 | 212.5 |
| 2024 | KC | 4 | 24 | 288 | 2 | 29 | 82.8% | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 64.9 |
| 2025 | KC | 8 | 53 | 571 | 5 | 78 | 67.9% | 1 | 0 | 20 | 1 | 150.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 68 | 796 | 8 | 91 | 75.0% | 2 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 196.7 |

## 31 JAYLEN WADDLE

5-10/185/AGE: 27

**EFP: 192.4**

BYE WEEK: 10

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Waddle's ceiling is a little higher than this ranking, but his lack of TDs and target competition drag down the fantasy floor.

Denver paid a hefty price to extract Waddle from Miami, parting with first- and third-round picks as part of the package. A change of scenery (and quarterback) could be good for Waddle, who began his career with three consecutive 1,000-yard seasons but has averaged just 61 receptions and 827 yards over the past two. Waddle knows how to function with another top wideout, having played alongside Tyreek Hill, but we'll see how Bo Nix divvies things up between him and Courtland Sutton. That element of uncertainty adds some risk to relying on Waddle in 2026.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | MIA | 14 | 72 | 1,014 | 4 | 104 | 69.2% | 3 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 198.6 |
| 2024 | MIA | 15 | 58 | 744 | 2 | 83 | 69.9% | 2 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 147.6 |
| 2025 | MIA | 16 | 64 | 910 | 6 | 100 | 64.0% | 2 | 0 | 28 | 0 | 194.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 59 | 897 | 7 | 87 | 68.0% | 2 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 192.4 |

## 32

## MICHAEL PITTMAN JR.

6-4/223/AGE: 28

**EFP: 189.9**

BYE WEEK: 9

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Aaron Rodgers' one-year deal to return in 2026 impacts multiple fantasy player profiles favorably — particularly Pittman's.

With Aaron Rodgers back for another season as Pittsburgh's quarterback, Pittman enters a favorable situation for fantasy owners looking for a viable PPR WR2. New head coach Mike McCarthy's offensive style will breathe some life into the Steelers after Arthur Smith's failed tenure as offensive coordinator. Pittman isn't flashy, nor is he much of a touchdown threat, but he did set a personal best with seven scores in Indy last year.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | IND | 16 | 109 | 1,152 | 4 | 156 | 69.9% | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 250.2 |
| 2024 | IND | 16 | 69 | 808 | 3 | 111 | 62.2% | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 165.8 |
| 2025 | IND | 17 | 80 | 784 | 7 | 111 | 72.1% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 202.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 77 | 839 | 5 | 113 | 68.0% | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 189.9 |

MARVIN HARRISON JR.

## 33

## MARVIN HARRISON JR.

6-3/220/AGE: 24

**EFP: 188.1**

BYE WEEK: 14

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

On raw talent alone, Harrison is a top-end WR2, but the floor is rickety. Don't be shocked if he breaks out, though.

If disappointing had a face ... Harrison enters a make-or-break campaign after two frustrating seasons in Arizona. He dropped 5.5% of his targets and saw only 12.7% of his snaps come in the red zone. Harrison also missed two games with appendicitis and three with a heel issue. The Ohio State star began the year well enough, logging two scores and three 13.8-plus PPR efforts in the first five weeks. Should Harrison finally put it together, this ranking is low, but he has QB concerns and saw fellow WR Michael Wilson step up in a major way last season. Risk-reward sums it up.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | ARI | 17 | 62 | 885 | 8 | 116 | 53.4% | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 196.5 |
| 2025 | ARI | 12 | 41 | 608 | 4 | 73 | 56.2% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 127.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 61 | 921 | 6 | 111 | 55.0% | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 188.1 |

## 34

## ALEC PIERCE

6-3/211/AGE: 26

**EFP: 184.4**

BYE WEEK: 13

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

A one-trick pony with a questionable quarterback situation, Pierce will win weeks and enrage you just as much.

The Colts paid a king's ransom (four years, $114 million) to retain Pierce after consecutive strong seasons taking the top off defenses. He finished with 37-824-7 in 2024 and followed it up with a career-high 1,003 yards on 47 grabs, scoring six times in total. A career 18.7 yards per reception mark means he doesn't need to haul in 100 balls to post useful fantasy stats, but he'll see more work after the Michael Pittman Jr. trade. All signs point to Pierce being ready for camp following a minor ankle procedure, and QB Daniel Jones (Achilles) is trending for Week 1.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | IND | 17 | 32 | 514 | 2 | 65 | 49.2% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 95.4 |
| 2024 | IND | 16 | 37 | 824 | 7 | 69 | 53.6% | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 161.4 |
| 2025 | IND | 15 | 47 | 1,003 | 6 | 84 | 56.0% | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 183.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 53 | 954 | 6 | 100 | 53.0% | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 184.4 |

## 35

## JAYDEN REED

5-11/187/AGE: 26

**EFP: 183.2**

BYE WEEK: 11

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

He's sliding farther than this in early drafting, but Reed has a clear chance to capitalize on his pre-2025 momentum.

Rewind the clock to the 2024 season opener, and it seemed like we were witnessing the arrival of Reed as a central figure in Green Bay's offense. He finished Week 1 with 171 yards and a pair of touchdowns. He topped 100 yards three weeks later but has reached that mark only once since then. Last season was derailed by a shoulder injury that cost him three months, but the Packers still handed him an extension, which tells you they believe he's a core part of the offense. With a streamlined receiver room for 2026, Reed carries some sneaky upside.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | GB | 16 | 64 | 793 | 8 | 94 | 68.1% | 1 | 0 | 119 | 2 | 217.2 |
| 2024 | GB | 17 | 55 | 857 | 6 | 75 | 73.3% | 3 | 1 | 163 | 1 | 197.0 |
| 2025 | GB | 7 | 19 | 207 | 1 | 22 | 86.4% | 0 | 0 | 28 | 0 | 48.5 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 63 | 819 | 5 | 88 | 72.0% | 2 | 1 | 33 | 1 | 183.2 |

MICHAEL WILSON

## 36

## MICHAEL WILSON

6-2/213/AGE: 26

**EFP: 180.1**

BYE WEEK: 14

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

A healthy Marvin Harrison Jr. and Trey McBride's awesomeness cap Wilson's chances of another strong effort in the WR3 range.

In 2025, with Marvin Harrison Jr. missing five total games over two separate stints, Wilson came into his own as a third-year pro. He paced the Cardinals' WRs in targets (126), receptions (71), yards (1,006) and TDs (seven) while dropping only 0.8% of his looks. Despite the encouraging season, Wilson is poised for regression. TE Trey McBride runs this passing game, and Arizona's quarterback situation could go from Jacoby Brissett to rookie Carson Beck down the stretch. Furthermore, Harrison and two capable receiving backs could cut into his target share.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | ARI | 13 | 38 | 565 | 3 | 58 | 65.5% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 114.5 |
| 2024 | ARI | 16 | 47 | 548 | 4 | 71 | 66.2% | 0 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 124.5 |
| 2025 | ARI | 17 | 78 | 1,006 | 7 | 126 | 61.9% | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 220.6 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 67 | 831 | 5 | 105 | 64.0% | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 180.1 |

## 37

## CHRIS GODWIN

6-1/209/AGE: 30

**EFP: 174.9**

BYE WEEK: 10

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

If healthy, this is a potentially low ranking by about 10 spots. However, no one should expect Godwin can stay healthy.

Godwin's impressive inability to stay healthy ought to be studied in a lab. He enters his age-30 season after missing 18 total games in the past two years and is a lifetime removed from a 1,333-yard 2019 peak. Injuries have robbed Godwin of his early-career explosiveness, so his fantasy production mostly boils down to volume, provided he doesn't get injured checking the mailbox. Emeka Egbuka profiles as the WR1 with Mike Evans gone, and Baker Mayfield limped through 2025 only to enter this year with yet another new OC. Woof.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | TB | 17 | 83 | 1,024 | 2 | 130 | 63.8% | 2 | 0 | 38 | 1 | 209.2 |
| 2024 | TB | 7 | 50 | 576 | 5 | 62 | 80.6% | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 137.8 |
| 2025 | TB | 9 | 33 | 360 | 2 | 51 | 64.7% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 83.0 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 62 | 707 | 7 | 91 | 68.0% | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 174.9 |

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## 38

## JAKOBI MEYERS

6-2/200/AGE: 29

**EFP: 174.1**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Few WR3 options are as safe as Meyers, and he's a quality value buy in any setting.

Anyone need 800 yards? Meyers has remained remarkably consistent regardless of where he has played. In the past five years, outside of a 2024 blip (87-1,027-4), the veteran has snagged between 67 and 83 balls for anywhere from 804 to 866 yards. He's generally not a major source of touchdowns, but the crafty Meyers has a high floor in PPR scoring. Entering his age-30 season and first full year in Duval after a 2025 midseason trade that led to an extension, Meyers is a fine fantasy value buy.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LV | 16 | 71 | 807 | 8 | 106 | 67.0% | 0 | 0 | 24 | 2 | 218.7 |
| 2024 | LV | 15 | 87 | 1,027 | 4 | 129 | 67.4% | 3 | 0 | 23 | 0 | 218.0 |
| 2025 | LV/JAC | 16 | 75 | 835 | 3 | 110 | 68.2% | 0 | 1 | 13 | 0 | 175.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 70 | 784 | 4 | 103 | 68.0% | 1 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 174.1 |

JAKOBI MEYERS

## 39

## JERRY JEUDY

6-1/195/AGE: 27

**EFP: 169.6**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Depending on how the QB competition shakes out, Jeudy stands to increase in the rankings. This is his floor placement.

When Jeudy cobbled together 90 receptions, 1,229 yards and four touchdowns while catching passes from four different signal-callers in 2024, it was tempting to believe he could succeed no matter who was under center. Last season definitively showed that was not the case. With rookies Shedeur Sanders and Dillon Gabriel handling the bulk of the snaps, Jeudy's production dropped precipitously, and he finished behind TE Harold Fannin Jr. in receptions, yards and touchdowns. While he remains a top target for the Browns, ongoing uncertainty at quarterback makes drafting him a dicey venture.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DEN | 16 | 54 | 758 | 2 | 87 | 62.1% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 141.8 |
| 2024 | CLE | 17 | 90 | 1,229 | 4 | 145 | 62.1% | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 238.9 |
| 2025 | CLE | 17 | 50 | 602 | 2 | 106 | 47.2% | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 120.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 65 | 806 | 4 | 114 | 57.0% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 169.6 |

## 40

## JOSH DOWNS

5-9/171/AGE: 25

**EFP: 168.2**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

A shaky quarterback situation and a limited physical profile point to a modest showing from Downs as a WR4 with a few erratic blips.

The trading of Michael Pittman Jr. pushes Downs into the primary chain-moving role among Indy's receivers, though he'll compete for touches in that area of the field most frequently with TE Tyler Warren. Quarterback Daniel Jones (Achilles) remains a little iffy for Week 1, so his status is one to track if you're considering Downs. The Colts retained Alec Pierce to serve as the deep threat, and Downs will see an uptick in targets, but a career 10.8 yards-per-catch average and minor injury concerns limit his overall fantasy profile.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | IND | 17 | 68 | 771 | 2 | 98 | 69.4% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 157.1 |
| 2024 | IND | 14 | 72 | 803 | 5 | 107 | 67.3% | 1 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 183.5 |
| 2025 | IND | 16 | 58 | 566 | 4 | 88 | 65.9% | 0 | 1 | -2 | 0 | 136.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 64 | 736 | 5 | 94 | 68.0% | 1 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 168.2 |

## 41

## CHRISTIAN WATSON

6-4/208/AGE: 27

**EFP: 158.7**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

You cannot view Watson's draft profile without including his injury history, making his risk-reward relationship a rankings driver. WR2 is the ceiling.

Watson missed the first six games of 2025 recovering from a torn ACL. He played the best ball of his career upon returning. Little more than a designated field stretcher prior to his injury, Watson was a more diverse threat last year, working at varying depths. He proved he could still get deep, too, making him the most dangerous weapon in Green Bay's passing attack over the season's final two months. While Jordan Love likes to spread the ball around, Watson looks like a viable receiver to target for fantasy owners.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | GB | 9 | 28 | 422 | 5 | 53 | 52.8% | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 101.3 |
| 2024 | GB | 15 | 29 | 620 | 2 | 53 | 54.7% | 2 | 1 | 23 | 0 | 105.3 |
| 2025 | GB | 10 | 35 | 611 | 6 | 55 | 63.6% | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 132.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 46 | 759 | 6 | 81 | 57.0% | 2 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 158.7 |

CHRISTIAN WATSON

## 42

## PARKER WASHINGTON

5-10/204/AGE: 24

**EFP: 158.3**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Washington forced his way into fantasy lineups last year but remains largely unproven and is safely viewed as a No. 4 with WR3 upside.

Parker scored twice on 21 catches in limited time as a 2023 rookie, and the Penn State product upped his TD tally with three more the next year. Washington's progress continued after Liam Coen's arrival as head coach, resulting in a 58-847-5 line with seven games of nine or more targets, including the postseason. He rebounded quickly after a hamstring injury cost him Week 14, finishing the year strong with at least 19 PPR points in four straight appearances. The slot receiver will be a hot commodity in 2026 drafts, but expectations must be tempered with several other capable weapons around him.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | JAC | 9 | 16 | 132 | 2 | 21 | 76.2% | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 39.2 |
| 2024 | JAC | 17 | 32 | 390 | 3 | 51 | 62.7% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 91.0 |
| 2025 | JAC | 16 | 58 | 847 | 5 | 95 | 61.1% | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 172.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 53 | 753 | 5 | 83 | 64.0% | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 158.3 |

## 43

## JORDAN ADDISON

5-11/179/AGE: 24

**EFP: 157.9**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Everyone in this passing game benefits from Kyler Murray's arrival and a rebound by Justin Jefferson. That said, Addison is fairly risky.

After a strong showing as a rookie, Addison has seen his numbers trend in the wrong direction with a drop in receptions, yards and touchdowns each of the past two seasons. A three-game suspension to open the 2025 campaign put him behind the 8-ball to be sure, and he never jelled with J.J. McCarthy — by far his best stretch of last year came with Carson Wentz at the helm. The expected switch to Kyler Murray could help, though given how badly he struggled for much of this past season, Addison suddenly looks more like a flier than an ascending talent.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | MIN | 17 | 70 | 911 | 10 | 108 | 64.8% | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 221.3 |
| 2024 | MIN | 15 | 63 | 875 | 9 | 99 | 63.6% | 2 | 0 | 20 | 1 | 212.5 |
| 2025 | MIN | 14 | 42 | 610 | 3 | 79 | 53.2% | 2 | 0 | 81 | 1 | 135.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 49 | 676 | 5 | 80 | 61% | 2 | 0 | 53 | 1 | 157.9 |

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### 44

## XAVIER WORTHY

5-11/165/AGE: 23

**EFP: 157.0**

**BYE WEEK: 5**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The talent is closer to a No. 2, but Worthy's situational shortcomings make a WR4 spot advised.

Worthy suffering a shoulder injury in a Week 1 collision with Travis Kelce set the tone for a season where nothing went Kansas City's way. While Worthy would return in Week 4, the shoulder injury lingered — he eventually underwent surgery after the season — and he wasn't the same player as his numbers dropped across the board. Worthy has great speed, and a one-two punch of him and Rashee Rice could give opposing secondaries nightmares. It's all theoretical at this point, though, making Worthy a risky pick with decent upside.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | KC | 17 | 59 | 638 | 6 | 98 | 60.2% | 0 | 0 | 104 | 3 | 187.2 |
| 2025 | KC | 14 | 42 | 532 | 1 | 73 | 57.5% | 0 | 0 | 87 | 0 | 109.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 51 | 668 | 4 | 86 | 59.0% | 1 | 0 | 92 | 1 | 157.0 |

### 45

## QUENTIN JOHNSTON

6-2/208/AGE: 25

**EFP: 155.2**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Tre' Harris and KeAndre Lambert-Smith could threaten Johnston's ceiling. He's safely a mid-range WR4.

Three years into his NFL career, the jury remains out on Johnston. In his best moments, the 6-foot-2, 208-pound wideout looks like a beast, outfighting defensive backs on contested balls and outmatching them physically. On the flip side, he's struggled with concentration lapses and wasn't the consistent presence that Ladd McConkey and Keenan Allen were in 2025. L.A. exercised Johnston's fifth-year option, so they still see potential, but it feels like the clock is ticking.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LAC | 17 | 38 | 431 | 2 | 67 | 56.7% | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 94.0 |
| 2024 | LAC | 15 | 55 | 711 | 8 | 91 | 60.4% | 2 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 174.7 |
| 2025 | LAC | 14 | 51 | 735 | 8 | 84 | 60.7% | 1 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 171.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 49 | 691 | 6 | 82 | 60.0% | 2 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 155.2 |

### 46

## ROMEO DOUBS

6-2/204/AGE: 26

**EFP: 155.1**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Doubs could sneak into the low-tier WR3 conversation but is too physically limited for a true breakthrough.

The former Packer left Titletown in free agency for a shot at a championship of his own with the defending AFC representative, and he is a bit of a sleeper candidate. Managers shouldn't expect a huge surge in Doubs' stats, but he gets a fresh start after a rocky patch in Green Bay that even led to a brief suspension in 2024. He responded with a career-high 724 yards, but the path meandered. He's unimpressive athletically; the case for Doubs is outsized red-zone volume.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | GB | 17 | 59 | 674 | 8 | 96 | 61.5% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 174.4 |
| 2024 | GB | 13 | 46 | 601 | 4 | 72 | 63.9% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 132.1 |
| 2025 | GB | 16 | 55 | 724 | 6 | 85 | 64.7% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 165.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 52 | 671 | 6 | 83 | 63.0% | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 155.1 |

### 47

## WAN'DALE ROBINSON

5-8/185/AGE: 25

**EFP: 154.1**

**BYE WEEK: 9**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Target Robinson exclusively in PPR and only in the late stages of WR4 picks.

Robinson followed his former head coach, Brian Daboll, over to the AFC and enters 2026 as Tennessee's primary slot receiver. Over the past three years with the G-Men, Robinson was a reception hog, but his role and extenuating factors limited the output. An 8.6-yard aDOT was 17th lowest among qualifiers, and he saw just 7.9% of his targets come in the red zone. QB Cam Ward isn't particularly an upgrade, and Ward is rehabbing a shoulder injury, so chemistry may not be instant.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NYG | 15 | 60 | 525 | 1 | 78 | 76.9% | 0 | 0 | 87 | 1 | 133.2 |
| 2024 | NYG | 17 | 93 | 699 | 3 | 140 | 66.4% | 0 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 182.7 |
| 2025 | NYG | 16 | 92 | 1,014 | 4 | 140 | 65.7% | 3 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 217.9 |
| 2026 PROJ | | | 67 | 670 | 3 | 105 | 64.0% | 1 | 0 | 21 | 0 | 154.1 |

### 48

## JORDYN TYSON

6-2/203/AGE: 22

**EFP: 152.8**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Consider his injury history and rookie learning curve. An optimistic ranking puts him in the WR36-WR42 range.

Historically, rookie wideouts require a little extra time to develop, but that has changed in the past generation as the game moves more in line with college passing concepts, and wideouts come along more quickly. Tyson fits the mold of a player who could contribute right away. He has the physical tools to dominate NFL corners; he enters a proven system with a blossoming quarterback; and he won't see WR1 coverage opposite Chris Olave. Injuries are a significant concern for Tyson, as well as Olave, which would create a path to New Orleans' No. 1 role in 2026.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 53 | 689 | 5 | 85 | 62.0% | 1 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 152.8 |

### 49

## KHALIL SHAKIR

6-0/190/AGE: 26

**EFP: 146.6**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

DJ Moore's addition cuts into where Shakir works the field and drastically cuts into his target share.

The arrival of DJ Moore is a gut-punch to Shakir's fantasy value. During his four years in Western New York, the Boise State product has developed into not only a reliable slot receiver but also a rather dependable WR3 in PPR scoring. Expect Moore to cut into what was a 19.8% target share, but there is room for each to remain relevant as they both operate at different levels of the route tree. Moore's aDOT of 11.7 last year dwarfs Shakir's 3.9, albeit in different systems.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BUF | 17 | 39 | 611 | 2 | 45 | 86.7% | 2 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 113.1 |
| 2024 | BUF | 15 | 76 | 821 | 4 | 100 | 76.0% | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 182.5 |
| 2025 | BUF | 16 | 72 | 719 | 4 | 95 | 75.8% | 1 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 166.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 60 | 618 | 4 | 77 | 78.0% | 2 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 146.6 |

### 50

## TRE TUCKER

5-8/182/AGE: 25

**EFP: 142.8**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The upside is practically nonexistent, and he's merely a depth piece in PPR leagues.

Good news: Tucker was the Raiders' leading receiver in 2025. Bad news: That only amounted to 696 yards. Las Vegas' receiver room is a work in progress, and the quarterback position underwent an overhaul as well with Kirk Cousins brought in as a bridge until No. 1 overall pick Fernando Mendoza is ready. The hiring of new head coach Klint Kubiak should help breathe life into the offense, but there is a lot of uncertainty surrounding this unit's potency and Tucker's ceiling within it.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LV | 16 | 19 | 331 | 2 | 34 | 55.9% | 0 | 0 | 77 | 0 | 71.8 |
| 2024 | LV | 17 | 47 | 539 | 3 | 81 | 58.0% | 0 | 0 | 44 | 1 | 129.3 |
| 2025 | LV | 17 | 57 | 696 | 5 | 92 | 62.0% | 0 | 0 | 51 | 0 | 161.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 52 | 619 | 4 | 88 | 59.0% | 1 | 0 | 49 | 0 | 142.8 |

### 51

## MATTHEW GOLDEN

5-11/191/AGE: 23

**EFP: 142.2**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

If he can put it all together in Year 2, this floor projection will look foolish. Golden will get a bump with a strong offseason.

As the first receiver taken in Round 1 by the Packers in more than 20 years, Golden carried a lot of hype and expectations into his rookie year. After a solid start, he faded, topping 50 yards in a game just once over the final 12 weeks. He came up big in the playoffs, though, posting a 4-84-1 line, and with Green Bay moving on from Romeo Doubs and Dontayvion Wicks, Golden is penciled in to fill a larger role this season. A quiet rookie year will depress his value in fantasy circles, but there's real potential here.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | GB | 14 | 29 | 361 | 0 | 44 | 65.9% | 0 | 0 | 49 | 0 | 70.0 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 42 | 584 | 5 | 66 | 64.0% | 1 | 0 | 58 | 1 | 142.2 |

## 52

## JAYDEN HIGGINS

6-4/215/AGE: 23

**EFP: 139.8**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Higgins' ceiling is much higher than this ranking, though he'll need a few breaks to live up to his potential.

All things considered, it was a productive rookie season for Higgins in a shaky offense. He drew 68 targets, converting 41 into 525 yards and six scores as QB C.J. Stroud missed four games and the offense was generally stagnant. Entering his second season, the 6-foot-4 Higgins will play sidekick to Nico Collins, which limits target potential but also shields him from top-level coverage and double-teams. There's potential for growth, but a low-volume aerial attack will suppress Higgins' upside.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | HOU | 17 | 41 | 525 | 6 | 68 | 60.3% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 129.5 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 49 | 608 | 5 | 78 | 63.0% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 139.8 |

## 53

## RASHID SHAHEED

6-0/180/AGE: 28

**EFP: 138.3**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The occasional splash play comes in handy in best-ball and that's about it.

Shaheed re-signed with the Seahawks following a November trade to Seattle last year. The former Saint has a real chance to take his game to another level. Cooper Kupp is in his age-33 season and was largely a nonfactor in 2025, and he's always an injury risk. Shaheed has a full offseason to better his chemistry with Sam Darnold and learn the offensive nuances. Although he's most dangerous in the return game, there's a whiff of upside picking up Jaxon Smith-Njigba's scraps.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NO | 15 | 46 | 719 | 5 | 75 | 61.3% | 1 | 1 | 37 | 0 | 149.6 |
| 2024 | NO | 6 | 20 | 349 | 3 | 41 | 48.8% | 0 | 1 | 29 | 0 | 73.8 |
| 2025 | NO/SEA | 18 | 59 | 687 | 2 | 92 | 64.1% | 1 | 1 | 69 | 0 | 144.6 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 40 | 592 | 4 | 67 | 60.0% | 1 | 0 | 91 | 1 | 138.3 |

## 54

## TRE' HARRIS

6-3/210/AGE: 24

**EFP: 131.8**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Harris is an interesting sleeper who could race up the rankings. An injury will thrust him into a prominent role.

A second-round selection in last year's draft, Harris operated mostly as a decoy during his debut campaign, being targeted just 43 times despite logging 555 snaps — for comparison, Keenan Allen, who played only 75 more snaps, was targeted 122 times. With Allen unsigned, the plan appears to be for Harris to step into a larger role in 2026. Even though Harris still sits third on the depth chart, Justin Herbert's willingness to spread the ball around gives the Ole Miss product hope for a second-year leap.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | LAC | 17 | 30 | 324 | 1 | 43 | 69.8% | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 69.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 52 | 551 | 4 | 79 | 66.0% | 1 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 131.8 |

## 55

## MAKAI LEMON

5-11/192/AGE: 22

**EFP: 130.1**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Lemon must show in camp that he's ready for immediate returns on a fantasy investment.

Lemon, a first-round rookie, could step into a Day 1 role alongside DeVonta Smith, and Philly will have enough available targets to make him useful for fantasy. Lemon is a 5-foot-11, 192-pounder from USC who can win from the slot with nuanced route skills, short-area explosion and excellent hands. He was highly productive as a Trojan, accounting for 14 offensive scores in 2025 (including two rushing, one passing). Lemon's primary target competition will be veteran Hollywood Brown and TE Dallas Goedert.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 52 | 525 | 3 | 78 | 67.0% | 0 | 0 | 16 | 1 | 130.1 |

## 56

## CARNELL TATE

6-2/192/AGE: 21

**EFP: 126.9**

**BYE WEEK: 9**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Tate will be overvalued based on his lofty real-life draft placement. The future is bright, but the situation is lacking.

The Titans invested this year's fourth overall pick in Tate, hoping to give second-year quarterback Cam Ward more weapons on the outside. Tate is a crisp, savvy route-runner and a technician more than an athletic specimen, though he has the physical tools to flirt with WR1 status. As Ward nurses an injured throwing shoulder, it's unclear how quickly these two can build a rapport. For fantasy, expect growing pains from this offense, and Tate is merely a late-round dice roll with Wan'Dale Robinson likely to soak up a ton of the easy catches.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 47 | 559 | 4 | 76 | 62.0% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 126.9 |

## 57

## RICKY PEARSALL

6-1/189/AGE: 26

**EFP: 126.2**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Should he stay healthy, this ranking is on the low side. We'll revisit his situation during training camp.

Pearsall's injury absences are starting to mount. The 2024 first-rounder missed time as a rookie after being shot in the chest during a robbery, and last year's PCL injury occurred right as the speedster was starting to make some noise. Originally, Pearsall injured the knee in Week 4 after opening 2025 with 16 catches for 281 yards in just three outings, only for him to aggravate the issue late in the season. Mike Evans will take away added coverage, and George Kittle (Achilles) may start on the Reserve/PUP. There's mild sleeper appeal here.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | SF | 11 | 31 | 400 | 3 | 46 | 67.4% | 1 | 0 | 45 | 0 | 93.5 |
| 2025 | SF | 9 | 36 | 528 | 0 | 53 | 67.9% | 2 | 0 | -2 | 0 | 88.6 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 44 | 634 | 3 | 65 | 68.0% | 1 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 126.2 |

## 58

## JACK BECH

6-1/215/AGE: 23

**EFP: 120.2**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Watch how well Bech comes along during the offseason. His possession role could come in handy on occasion.

Taken with the 58th pick last year, Bech did little as a rookie, barely outproducing Tyler Lockett, a veteran on his last legs who joined midseason. For a player who many expected would start opposite Jakobi Meyers from Day 1, it was disappointing. Coming out of TCU, Bech was lauded for his hands and ability to catch balls in traffic. Presenting a big target on short and intermediate routes should be appealing no matter who takes the snaps at QB for the Raiders in 2026, but Bech still has a lot to prove.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | LV | 16 | 20 | 224 | 0 | 29 | 69.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 42.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 47 | 550 | 3 | 73 | 64.0% | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 120.2 |

## 59

## ANTONIO WILLIAMS

5-11/195/AGE: 22

**EFP: 119.8**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Williams will have growing pains as a rookie but still presents late-round flier intrigue.

Drafted in the third round from Clemson, Williams provides Jayden Daniels with a 5-foot-11, 195-pound slot target. A four-year contributor for the Tigers, Williams didn't produce eye-popping stats but did manage to tie for seventh in the FBS with 11 TD grabs in 2024. He has a good feel for getting open and ran a 4.41-second 40 at the NFL Scouting Combine, though he plays quicker than fast. Durability was an issue in 2023 and '25, but Washington has a glaring need for another playmaker, and Williams could be thrown into the fire on Day 1.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 47 | 508 | 3 | 80 | 59.0% | 1 | 0 | 40 | 0 | 119.8 |

## 60

## TROY FRANKLIN

6-3/187/AGE: 23

**EFP: 118.0**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

Franklin showed significant development during his second season, jumping from a 28-263-2 line as a rookie to 65 receptions, 709 yards and six TDs last year. The former Oregon Duck may have seen his wings clipped with the offseason addition of Jaylen Waddle, however, as the newcomer joins Courtland Sutton in an entrenched top two. That leaves Franklin to battle Pat Bryant, a third-round pick in 2025, and Marvin Mims Jr. for targets as a tertiary threat. In that role, Franklin offers marginal appeal.

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Jaylen Waddle depresses Franklin's role to such a degree that he's undraftable in conventional leagues.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | DEN | 16 | 28 | 263 | 2 | 53 | 52.8% | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 67.1 |
| 2025 | DEN | 17 | 65 | 709 | 6 | 104 | 62.5% | 0 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 171.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 44 | 493 | 4 | 75 | 59.0% | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 118.0 |

## 61

## KC CONCEPCION

5-11/196/AGE: 21

**EFP: 117.8**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

The fourth receiver selected in this year's draft, Concepcion is a playmaker. While he lacks ideal size, the rookie understands how to get open, and he excels at doing work near the line of scrimmage. The ability to make things happen with the ball in his hands is critical as Cleveland again tries to navigate uncertainty at the quarterback position. In those cases, it helps to have someone who can turn screens and quick hitters into positive gains. It's hard to get too excited about anything involving Cleveland's offense right now, but Concepcion is someone to keep an eye on.

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

You can appreciate a player's skill set and talents while acknowledging his situational shortcomings.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 47 | 475 | 2 | 69 | 68.0% | 0 | 1 | 63 | 1 | 117.8 |

## 62

## GERMIE BERNARD

6-1/206/AGE: 22

**EFP: 116.9**

**BYE WEEK: 9**

Mike McCarthy loves slot receivers who are dynamic in short-area work, quicker than fast and tough to bring down in the open field. The rookie receiver is somewhat reminiscent of Randall Cobb, an Aaron Rodgers favorite in Green Bay. Rodgers' decision to return for another season greatly enhances Bernard's fantasy presence. The Alabama rookie's versatility also presents an opportunity for rushing work around the stripe. Track Bernard's progress during the late summer.

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Bernard's short-area work and rushing potential make him an intriguing best-ball gamble.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 41 | 476 | 3 | 64 | 64.0% | 0 | 1 | 53 | 1 | 116.9 |

## 63

## RASHOD BATEMAN

6-1/193/AGE: 26

**EFP: 116.5**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

Signed to a three-year, $36.75 million extension before last season, Bateman looked poised for a larger role. Instead, he was invisible. The 2021 first-round pick topped 50 yards in a game just twice all year, and he finished with a career-low 224 yards while missing time with an ankle injury. Although there's always some potential value in a starting wideout, Bateman's had just one semi-impactful statistical campaign in five NFL seasons.

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The only reason to invest a pick in Bateman is to chase a TD in best-ball leagues.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BAL | 16 | 32 | 367 | 1 | 56 | 57.1% | 0 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 76.5 |
| 2024 | BAL | 17 | 45 | 756 | 9 | 72 | 62.5% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 174.6 |
| 2025 | BAL | 13 | 19 | 224 | 2 | 38 | 50.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 55.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 43 | 495 | 4 | 74 | 58.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 116.5 |

## 64

## JAUAN JENNINGS

6-3/212/AGE: 29

**EFP: 111.3**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

The Vikings already had a deep cast of talent for new quarterback Kyler Murray, who is expected to take over the starting job. Jennings signed a one-year pact worth up to $13 million and is likely to serve as a chain-moving safety outlet. He has stepped up when called upon in San Francisco, but his touchdown dependency was the primary driver for fantasy value. This signing should have much more real-world impact than it will in fantasy.

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The former 49er lands in a situation that does no favors to his fantasy value. Don't overvalue him.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SF | 13 | 19 | 265 | 1 | 33 | 57.6% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 51.5 |
| 2024 | SF | 15 | 77 | 975 | 6 | 113 | 68.1% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 210.5 |
| 2025 | SF | 15 | 55 | 643 | 9 | 90 | 61.1% | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 173.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 43 | 503 | 3 | 62 | 63.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 111.3 |

## 65

## COOPER KUPP

6-2/207/AGE: 33

**EFP: 110.0**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

In 16 appearances, Kupp finished PPR WR52 during his first year in the Emerald City, reeling in 47 catches on 70 targets as the passing offense funneled through WR Jaxon Smith-Njigba's 163 looks. Kupp scored only twice last year and averaged by far the fewest per-game fantasy points (7.4 PPR) of his career. The Seahawks re-signed Rashid Shaheed and have young receivers Tory Horton and Emmanuel Henderson Jr. nipping at Kupp's heels.

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Despite being a savvy veteran with a starting role, Kupp is wholly undraftable in conventional leagues.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LAR | 12 | 59 | 737 | 5 | 95 | 62.1% | 4 | 0 | -3 | 0 | 164.4 |
| 2024 | LAR | 12 | 67 | 710 | 6 | 100 | 67.0% | 3 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 175.0 |
| 2025 | SEA | 16 | 47 | 593 | 2 | 70 | 67.1% | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 117.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 42 | 500 | 3 | 65 | 65.0% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 110.0 |

## 66

## ANDREI IOSIVAS

6-3/210/AGE: 26

**EFP: 109.7**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

Heading into his fourth NFL season, Iosivas has had his moments, most notably the dozen touchdowns he's accounted for. He's a distant third in the pecking order when both Ja'Marr Chase and Tee Higgins are healthy, however, and possibly fourth depending on how you view TE Mike Gesicki. As such, the Princeton product is a hard player to carry on your roster, functioning as the receiver equivalent of an RB handcuff.

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

If Tee Higgins misses time as per his usual, Iosivas commands waiver interest.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CIN | 16 | 15 | 116 | 4 | 25 | 60.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 50.6 |
| 2024 | CIN | 17 | 36 | 479 | 6 | 61 | 59.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 119.9 |
| 2025 | CIN | 17 | 33 | 435 | 2 | 58 | 56.9% | 0 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 89.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 36 | 493 | 4 | 60 | 60.0% | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 109.7 |

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## XAVIER LEGETTE

6-3/227/AGE: 25

**EFP: 108.8**

**BYE WEEK: 5**

Just how many chances can Legette get? The 32nd pick in the 2024 NFL Draft flashed a few times as a rookie, but shaky quarterback play didn't help his cause. The Panthers hit a home run with last year's Tetairoa McMillan pick. There's not enough volume for two strong fantasy options in this pedestrian offense, and Legette's versatility hasn't shown up. Slot WR Jalen Coker has outplayed him, and now rookie Chris Brazzell II is breathing down his neck.

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Carolina's draft investment in Legette cuts him some slack, but that leash is short.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | CAR | 16 | 49 | 497 | 4 | 84 | 58.3% | 0 | 0 | 24 | 0 | 125.1 |
| 2025 | CAR | 15 | 35 | 363 | 3 | 64 | 54.7% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 89.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 41 | 431 | 3 | 72 | 57.0% | 0 | 0 | 7 | 1 | 108.8 |

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## JALEN COKER

6-3/213/AGE: 24

**EFP: 106.8**

**BYE WEEK: 5**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Coker has more upside than Xavier Legette and will scream up these rankings with a strong camp.

Tease much? Coker has the tools to take his game to another level, but durability has been a hindrance. He played only 11 games in each of his first two seasons, missing six games last year with a quad strain and time in 2024 with one, too. To Coker's credit, he catches everything that comes his way and has outproduced expectations coming from FCS Holy Cross. Tetairoa McMillan is Carolina's passing game thus far, but there's room for a sidekick, even if Coker remains just a sneaky deep sleeper.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | CAR | 11 | 32 | 478 | 2 | 46 | 69.6% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 92.8 |
| 2025 | CAR | 11 | 33 | 394 | 3 | 43 | 76.7% | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 90.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 36 | 468 | 4 | 50 | 72.0% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 106.8 |

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## RYAN FLOURNOY

6-1/205/AGE: 26

**EFP: 104.6**

**BYE WEEK: 14**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Flournoy flashed last year with CeeDee Lamb banged up, which gives an inroad for DFS and best-ball utility.

Can Flournoy manage to matter in consecutive seasons? He was efficient and effective when granted an opportunity, especially as CeeDee Lamb was hobbled by an ankle sprain. With 39% of Flournoy's fantasy points coming in just two games last year, this type of profile means he's more likely to pop off on your bench. Unless Lamb misses time for a third straight year, or an injury befalls George Pickens, Flournoy's season-ending stats will look better than his actual utility.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | DAL | 11 | 10 | 102 | 0 | 14 | 71.4% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20.2 |
| 2025 | DAL | 16 | 40 | 475 | 4 | 56 | 71.4% | 2 | 0 | 25 | 0 | 114.0 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 36 | 432 | 4 | 51 | 71.0% | 0 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 104.6 |

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## JALEN McMILLAN

6-1/192/AGE: 24

**EFP: 100.2**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

McMillan's vertical nature makes him a fine candidate for best-ball settings.

A sprained neck cost McMillan all but the final four games in 2025. It wasn't all bad, though, as he reminded gamers of his trademark big-play nature with a seven-catch, 114-yard Week 17. As a 2024 rookie, McMillan was a dangerous TD threat, scoring eight times on just 37 grabs in 13 games. Tampa is on its fifth new play-caller in as many seasons as it enters the post-Mike Evans era. McMillan has some upside to slide into the No. 2 fantasy spot behind Emeka Egbuka.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | TB | 13 | 37 | 461 | 8 | 58 | 63.8% | 0 | 0 | 43 | 0 | 135.4 |
| 2025 | TB | 4 | 12 | 178 | 0 | 15 | 80.0% | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 29.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 35 | 459 | 3 | 52 | 67.0% | 1 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 100.2 |

**71**

## OMAR COOPER JR.

6-0/199/AGE: 22

**EFP: 99.5**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Unless an injury thrusts Cooper into a more prominent role, his 2026 outlook is dim.

The Jets revamped their entire passing game and defense in the offseason. Cooper, a first-round selection, arrives to give a little juice from the slot, and he'll challenge for the second-most targets behind Garrett Wilson from new-old quarterback Geno Smith. While the defense improved, that much change takes time to show, so expect plenty of necessary passing volume. Cooper comes out of Indiana tied for third in the FBS with 13 receiving scores last year, and he'll operate at his best in the intermediate route tree.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 36 | 396 | 2 | 58 | 62.0% | 0 | 0 | 59 | 1 | 99.5 |

**72**

## JALEN NAILOR

5-11/199/AGE: 27

**EFP: 98.8**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Nailor has familiarity with Kirk Cousins from Minnesota. He'll have deep-league appeal with a strong camp.

Stuck behind Justin Jefferson and Jordan Addison in Minnesota, Nailor was one of those players where any result was on the table in any given week. In Week 10 last year, he caught five passes for 124 yards and a score. Over the following three weeks, he totaled one reception for 16 yards. He should be a more consistent presence in Las Vegas, and he'll at least temporarily reunite with Kirk Cousins, which should be to his advantage. If you're looking to roll the dice late.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | MIN | 6 | 3 | 29 | 0 | 6 | 50.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5.9 |
| 2024 | MIN | 17 | 28 | 414 | 6 | 42 | 66.7% | 0 | 1 | -4 | 0 | 103.0 |
| 2025 | MIN | 17 | 29 | 444 | 4 | 53 | 54.7% | 1 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 100.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 33 | 469 | 3 | 56 | 59.0% | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 98.8 |

**73**

## KAYSHON BOUTTE

5-11/197/AGE: 24

**EFP: 98.3**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The arrival of A.J. Brown would hamstring Boutte's role, and he's merely a DFS or best-ball candidate.

Including the postseason run, Boutte was good for at least 13.5 PPR points six times last season, including a three-game stretch near the midpoint when he scored four of his six TDs. He led qualifying WRs with 56.5% of his catches going for 10-plus yards. Of his 18 total appearances, Boutte was held to fewer than eight PPR points 10 times, illustrating his volatility. It's unlikely we'll see a massive leap forward, if any at all.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NE | 5 | 2 | 19 | 0 | 7 | 28.6% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3.9 |
| 2024 | NE | 15 | 43 | 589 | 3 | 68 | 63.2% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 121.9 |
| 2025 | NE | 14 | 33 | 551 | 6 | 46 | 71.7% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 124.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 32 | 483 | 3 | 48 | 66.0% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 98.3 |

**74**

## CALEB DOUGLAS

6-4/205/AGE: 23

**EFP: 98.0**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Someone has to catch passes in this offense, right? Douglas is a best-ball flier.

In 2026, there's exactly one player on this offense fantasy owners should want to draft, and his name isn't Caleb Douglas. The rookie isn't devoid of talent, and there's a role here in an empty cupboard of a receiving corps, but the transition will take time. Malik Willis earned himself a fat check off a few relief appearances, and he remains raw as a pure passer. Rookie receivers tend to have a steeper learning curve, but the size-speed combo is appealing for a flier pick (6-foot-4, 4.39-second 40) in this wide-open battle for the revamped Dolphins.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 36 | 500 | 2 | 67 | 54.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 98.0 |

**75**

## ISAAC TESLAA

6-4/214/AGE: 24

**EFP: 97.2**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

You gotta love that TD efficiency, but playing him is a nightmare in traditional leagues.

Given the team's other needs, the high cost to move up in the 2025 draft and how the season ultimately unfolded, the decision to select TeSlaa last year remains dubious. As a rookie, TeSlaa made some eye-popping plays, particularly in the red zone — six of his 16 grabs went for touchdowns. The question isn't talent. The question is where his opportunities come from in an offense that has Jahmyr Gibbs, Amon-Ra St. Brown, Jameson Williams and Sam LaPorta. Barring injury, it seems unlikely TeSlaa will be a reliable contributor in 2026.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | DET | 17 | 16 | 239 | 6 | 27 | 59.3% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 75.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 28 | 392 | 5 | 44 | 64.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 97.2 |

TREY McBRIDE

# TE

## STAFF TOP 12s

| LUKE EASTERLING | CRAIG ELLENPORT | MARK ROSS | CORY BONINI | KYLE WOOD |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Brock Bowers | 1. Trey McBride | 1. Trey McBride | 1. Trey McBride | 1. Brock Bowers |
| 2. Trey McBride | 2. Brock Bowers | 2. Brock Bowers | 2. Brock Bowers | 2. Trey McBride |
| 3. Tyler Warren | 3. Tyler Warren | 3. Tyler Warren | 3. Tyler Warren | 3. Tyler Warren |
| 4. Colston Loveland | 4. Harold Fannin Jr. | 4. Colston Loveland | 4. Colston Loveland | 4. Tucker Kraft |
| 5. Harold Fannin Jr. | 5. Colston Loveland | 5. Harold Fannin Jr. | 5. Harold Fannin Jr. | 5. Colston Loveland |
| 6. Tucker Kraft | 6. Tucker Kraft | 6. Sam LaPorta | 6. Kyle Pitts Sr. | 6. Kyle Pitts Sr. |
| 7. Sam LaPorta | 7. Kyle Pitts Sr. | 7. Kyle Pitts Sr. | 7. Travis Kelce | 7. Harold Fannin Jr. |
| 8. Kyle Pitts Sr. | 8. Sam LaPorta | 8. Jake Ferguson | 8. Sam LaPorta | 8. Travis Kelce |
| 9. Travis Kelce | 9. Oronde Gadsden | 9. Mark Andrews | 9. Jake Ferguson | 9. Jake Ferguson |
| 10. George Kittle | 10. Jake Ferguson | 10. Dalton Kincaid | 10. Mark Andrews | 10. Mark Andrews |
| 11. Oronde Gadsden | 11. Travis Kelce | 11. George Kittle | 11. Juwan Johnson | 11. Sam LaPorta |
| 12. Isaiah Likely | 12. Isaiah Likely | 12. Juwan Johnson | 12. George Kittle | 12. George Kittle |

| | LUKE EASTERLING | CRAIG ELLENPORT | MARK ROSS | CORY BONINI | KYLE WOOD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Top Rookie | Kenyon Sadiq | Kenyon Sadiq | Kenyon Sadiq | Kenyon Sadiq | Kenyon Sadiq |
| Sleeper | Terrance Ferguson | Terrance Ferguson | Chig Okonkwo | Chig Okonkwo | Chig Okonkwo |
| Deep Sleeper | Gunnar Helm | Gunnar Helm | Brenton Strange | Ja'Tavion Sanders | David Njoku |
| Bounce-Back | Tucker Kraft | Tucker Kraft | Sam LaPorta | Sam LaPorta | Mark Andrews |
| Bust | Dalton Kincaid | Dalton Kincaid | Travis Kelce | George Kittle | Oronde Gadsden |
| Injury Risk | George Kittle | George Kittle | George Kittle | Travis Kelce | George Kittle |

TROY TAORMINA-IMAGN IMAGES; OPPOSITE, FROM LEFT: ROBERT GODDIN-IMAGN IMAGES; BOB DECHIARA-IMAGN IMAGES

## 2026 RANKINGS

| | Rk | Player | Team | Bye |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ | 1 | **Trey McBride** | ARI | 14 |
| ☐ | 2 | **Brock Bowers** | LV | 13 |
| ☐ | 3 | **Tyler Warren** | IND | 13 |
| ☐ | 4 | **Colston Loveland** | CHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 5 | **Harold Fannin Jr.** | CLE | 11 |
| ☐ | 6 | **Kyle Pitts Sr.** | ATL | 11 |
| ☐ | 7 | **Travis Kelce** | KC | 5 |
| ☐ | 8 | **Sam LaPorta** | DET | 6 |
| ☐ | 9 | **Jake Ferguson** | DAL | 14 |
| ☐ | 10 | **Mark Andrews** | BAL | 13 |
| ☐ | 11 | **Juwan Johnson** | NO | 8 |
| ☐ | 12 | **George Kittle** | SF | 8 |
| ☐ | 13 | **Dalton Kincaid** | BUF | 7 |
| ☐ | 14 | **Tucker Kraft** | GB | 11 |
| ☐ | 15 | **Chig Okonkwo** | WAS | 7 |
| ☐ | 16 | **Hunter Henry** | NE | 11 |
| ☐ | 17 | **Pat Freiermuth** | PIT | 9 |
| ☐ | 18 | **Dalton Schultz** | HOU | 8 |
| ☐ | 19 | **Brenton Strange** | JAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 20 | **Isaiah Likely** | NYG | 8 |
| ☐ | 21 | **Cade Otton** | TB | 10 |
| ☐ | 22 | **Dallas Goedert** | PHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 23 | **Kenyon Sadiq** (R) | NYJ | 13 |
| ☐ | 24 | **AJ Barner** | SEA | 11 |
| ☐ | 25 | **Gunnar Helm** | TEN | 9 |
| ☐ | 26 | **David Njoku** | LAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 27 | **T.J. Hockenson** | MIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 28 | **Ja'Tavion Sanders** | CAR | 5 |
| ☐ | 29 | **Colby Parkinson** | LAR | 11 |
| ☐ | 30 | **Jake Tonges** | SF | 8 |
| ☐ | 31 | **Mike Gesicki** | CIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 32 | **Oronde Gadsden** | LAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 33 | **Evan Engram** | DEN | 10 |
| ☐ | 34 | **Cole Kmet** | CHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 35 | **Dawson Knox** | BUF | 7 |
| ☐ | 36 | **Theo Johnson** | NYG | 8 |
| ☐ | 37 | **Matthew Hibner** (R) | BAL | 13 |
| ☐ | 38 | **Greg Dulcich** | MIA | 6 |
| ☐ | 39 | **Luke Musgrave** | GB | 11 |
| ☐ | 40 | **Tyler Higbee** | LAR | 11 |

TYLER WARREN

## AVERAGE DEPTH OF TARGET

| Highest TE aDOT | | Team | TGT | aDOT |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | **Darren Waller** | MIA | 34 | 10.6 |
| 2 | **Mike Gesicki** | CIN | 42 | 10.0 |
| 3 | **Dalton Kincaid** | BUF | 49 | 9.5 |
| 4 | **Colston Loveland** | CHI | 82 | 9.0 |
| 5 | **Zach Ertz** | WAS | 72 | 9.0 |
| 6 | **Oronde Gadsden** | LAC | 69 | 9.0 |
| 7 | **Cole Kmet** | CHI | 48 | 8.8 |
| 8 | **Luke Musgrave** | GB | 31 | 8.6 |
| 9 | **Theo Johnson** | NYG | 74 | 8.3 |
| 10 | **Hunter Henry** | NE | 87 | 8.0 |
| 11 | **Isaiah Likely** | BAL | 36 | 8.0 |
| 12 | **Juwan Johnson** | NO | 102 | 7.5 |
| 13 | **Kyle Pitts Sr.** | ATL | 118 | 7.4 |
| 14 | **Mark Andrews** | BAL | 70 | 7.4 |
| 15 | **Dallas Goedert** | PHI | 82 | 7.1 |
| 16 | **Brenton Strange** | JAC | 60 | 6.9 |
| 17 | **Trey McBride** | ARI | 169 | 6.8 |
| 18 | **Travis Kelce** | KC | 108 | 6.8 |
| 19 | **George Kittle** | SF | 69 | 6.7 |
| 20 | **Dawson Knox** | BUF | 49 | 6.7 |
| 21 | **Brock Bowers** | LV | 86 | 6.5 |
| 22 | **Dalton Schultz** | HOU | 106 | 6.2 |
| 23 | **Noah Gray** | KC | 37 | 6.1 |
| 24 | **Harold Fannin Jr.** | CLE | 107 | 6.0 |
| 25 | **Pat Freiermuth** | PIT | 54 | 6.0 |
| 26 | **Mason Taylor** | NYJ | 65 | 5.9 |
| 27 | **Tyler Higbee** | LAR | 36 | 5.9 |
| 28 | **Sam LaPorta** | DET | 49 | 5.7 |
| 29 | **Gunnar Helm** | TEN | 55 | 5.6 |
| 30 | **Tyler Warren** | IND | 112 | 5.4 |

BROCK BOWERS

## INJURY CONCERNS

**BROCK BOWERS** | LAS VEGAS
Bowers played through a PCL injury and bone bruise in his left knee that dated back to Week 1, and the Raiders finally shut him down in late December to get him healthy for 2026. As long as there is no setback, expect him to be ready for the start of the season and back to functioning as a top-tier fantasy tight end.

**GEORGE KITTLE** | SAN FRANCISCO
General manager John Lynch has said he is hopeful that Kittle (Achilles) will be back on the field as of Week 1. A more cautious approach is to anticipate that he'll open the year on the Reserve/PUP and miss the first month of play. Between the late-season timing of the injury and Kittle turning 33 in October, consider a fringe TE1 finish to be borderline miraculous.

**TUCKER KRAFT** | GREEN BAY
Kraft was lost for the season in early November due to an ACL tear. There's enough time to expect that he'll be on the field for Week 1, barring a setback, but his fantasy offerings might be weaker than we're accustomed to seeing. Fortunately, he has a nose for the end zone, and his savvy play can create separation even if physical limitations persist when he returns to the field.

**SAM LAPORTA** | DETROIT
Detroit placed LaPorta on IR in November after the herniated disc in his back worsened. He is aiming to be fully cleared by training camp. The present read is that LaPorta will be ready for Week 1, but back injuries can be tricky. Expect head coach Dan Campbell to take it easy on him this summer.

**DAVID NJOKU** | L.A. CHARGERS
Njoku missed the final month of the regular season after suffering a minor knee sprain. He's healthy and should be another valuable weapon for Justin Herbert.

COLSTON LOVELAND

DAVID BANKS-IMAGN IMAGES

## 01 TREY McBRIDE

6-4/246/AGE: 26

**EFP: 266.2**

**BYE WEEK: 14**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

McBride checks every box imaginable for a fantasy tight end after last year's historic season.

It doesn't get much safer than McBride. He has improved each season, topping out with what ultimately should go down as a career year. He racked up the most TE catches ever at 126 on 169 targets, and he finished with 11 scores — five more than his three prior years combined. He saw 18.9% of his targets in the red zone, and all of that came with the 15th-highest poor-throw rate. Jacoby Brissett returns as the starter, but rookie QB Carson Beck may start late in the year, and that's not a bad thing for an elite TE.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | ARI | 17 | 81 | 825 | 3 | 106 | 76.4% | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 181.5 |
| 2024 | ARI | 16 | 111 | 1,146 | 2 | 147 | 75.5% | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 243.8 |
| 2025 | ARI | 17 | 126 | 1,239 | 11 | 169 | 74.6% | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 315.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 108 | 1,102 | 8 | 157 | 69.0% | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 266.2 |

## 02 BROCK BOWERS

6-3/235/AGE: 23

**EFP: 223.7**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Bowers is on the rebound from an injury-plagued season and is nipping at Trey McBride's heels for the TE1 spot.

A troublesome PCL sprain and bone bruise sidelined Bowers from Weeks 5-7 entering the bye before he returned to remind fantasy managers what they'd been missing with a career-high 43.3 PPR bomb. He then admirably fought his way through the injury until being shut down in December. The balky knee is healthy, and Bowers is poised to dominate in 2026. Veteran quarterback Kirk Cousins should start until new head coach Klint Kubiak is confident that No. 1 overall pick Fernando Mendoza is ready to take over. Both quarterbacks are equipped to feed Bowers in this underwhelming receiving corps.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | LV | 17 | 112 | 1,194 | 5 | 153 | 73.2% | 2 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 262.7 |
| 2025 | LV | 12 | 64 | 680 | 7 | 86 | 74.4% | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 176.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 92 | 957 | 6 | 119 | 77.0% | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 223.7 |

## 03 TYLER WARREN

6-6/256/AGE: 24

**EFP: 217.3**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Alec Pierce isn't a WR1. Josh Downs isn't a WR1. Tyler Warren functions as the Colts' WR1.

Even while suffering through multiple quarterbacks and a 30.4% poor-throw rate, Warren's rookie season generated the fourth-most points in full PPR. He saw the third-most positional targets (112), tied for sixth in catches (76) and tied for the 19th-most receiving TDs (four). Daniel Jones is slated to return from an Achilles injury, and he consistently incorporated Warren prior to the injury. In 2026, more targets are available with the trade of WR Michael Pittman Jr., and there's a reasonable chance this projection is too low.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | IND | 17 | 76 | 817 | 4 | 112 | 67.9% | 0 | 0 | 8 | 1 | 188.5 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 90 | 909 | 5 | 120 | 75.0% | 2 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 217.3 |

## 04 COLSTON LOVELAND

6-6/241/AGE: 22

**EFP: 206.4**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

It's crazy to think this may be too conservative of a ranking/projection for Loveland in only his second season.

Pro Football Focus graded Loveland's rookie season third among 37 qualifying TEs in terms of receiving work, and he graded out as TE5 overall. For fantasy, it took until Week 9 before we enjoyed anything from the Michigan standout. Loveland exploded with a 6-118-2 line at Cincy, and then he went on a tear down the stretch. From Week 17 through the wild-card round, Loveland caught 24 of 38 looks with game totals of 94, 91, and 137 yards, scoring twice. This projection may even be skimpy if young WRs Rome Odunze and Luther Burden III don't step up now that DJ Moore is gone.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | CHI | 16 | 58 | 713 | 6 | 82 | 70.7% | 1 | 0 | -2 | 0 | 165.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 72 | 857 | 8 | 99 | 73.0% | 2 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 206.4 |

## 05

## HAROLD FANNIN JR.

6-4/241/AGE: 22

**EFP: 202.0**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Building significantly on last year's breakout might be a stretch, but Fannin is the real deal.

Despite the presence of veteran TE David Njoku, Fannin exploded onto the scene as a rookie, reeling in 72 of 107 targets for 731 yards and six scores in 2025's otherwise lackluster Cleveland offense. While playing through a groin injury, he aggravated it on a TD grab in Week 17 and was shut down for the following game. Now, Cleveland moved on from Njoku, and the receiving corps leans heavily on rookies. Fannin will catch passes from either Shedeur Sanders or Deshaun Watson in 2026, and the dynamic second-year TE is a fine bet for a statistical step forward.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | CLE | 16 | 72 | 731 | 6 | 107 | 67.3% | 1 | 1 | 13 | 1 | 186.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 83 | 872 | 5 | 119 | 70.0% | 3 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 202.0 |

HAROLD FANNIN JR.

## 06

## KYLE PITTS SR.

6-6/250/AGE: 25

**EFP: 193.6**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Put it together for a second straight season and fantasy owners will name their children after you, Kyle.

Few players are as curious a case as Pitts has been in his career. After a fantastic rookie season in 2021, he never found his footing through multiple quarterback and system changes until last year's combination of Kirk Cousins and Michael Penix Jr. helped him reemerge. Pitts has ridiculous athletic traits, which have rarely shown up with consistency, and now he encounters yet another new system and QB in Tua Tagovailoa likely replacing Penix (knee). Any momentum feels halted. Make sure you're aware of the risk-reward profile when investing.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | ATL | 17 | 53 | 667 | 3 | 90 | 58.9% | 0 | 0 | -4 | 0 | 137.3 |
| 2024 | ATL | 17 | 47 | 602 | 4 | 74 | 63.5% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 131.2 |
| 2025 | ATL | 17 | 88 | 928 | 5 | 118 | 74.6% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 210.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 74 | 836 | 6 | 103 | 72.0% | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 193.6 |

## 07

## TRAVIS KELCE

6-5/250/AGE: 36

**EFP: 183.4**

**BYE WEEK: 5**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

A story as old as time: Build a HOF career. Win Super Bowls. Date the most famous singer alive. No one cares. Just stay healthy and score more TDs.

In his age-37 season, the Canton-bound star returns on essentially a one-year deal, but Patrick Mahomes' knee health clouds the picture. Justin Fields could start a few times, which is not the worst situation. While the raw numbers in 2025 may suggest stabilization of an ongoing decline, Kelce's fantasy average dipped to the lowest of his career (11.2 PPR). The last time he caught fewer than the 76 passes of '25 was in 2015, and his 851 yards marked the second-lowest total of Kelce's career. Clearly, Father Time remains undefeated.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | KC | 15 | 93 | 984 | 5 | 121 | 76.9% | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 219.4 |
| 2024 | KC | 16 | 97 | 823 | 3 | 133 | 72.9% | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 195.4 |
| 2025 | KC | 17 | 76 | 851 | 5 | 108 | 70.4% | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 193.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 79 | 814 | 4 | 111 | 71.0% | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 183.4 |

## 08

## SAM LAPORTA

6-3/245/AGE: 25

**EFP: 182.7**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

If the back surgery was a success, LaPorta could be a solid value. You just have to question the number of mouths to feed one football.

A herniated disc derailed LaPorta's third season after he had already missed time in 2024. Back injuries are tricky and tough to predict. On raw talent alone, he's a top-tier fantasy tight end, but the best ability remains availability. If you're willing to chance it on him staying healthy thanks to his corrective back surgery, LaPorta should benefit from new OC Drew Petzing's TE-friendly design. Most everything otherwise returns intact, and LaPorta just needs to stay on the field to live up to this modest ranking.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DET | 17 | 86 | 889 | 10 | 120 | 71.7% | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 239.3 |
| 2024 | DET | 16 | 60 | 726 | 7 | 83 | 72.3% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 174.6 |
| 2025 | DET | 9 | 40 | 489 | 3 | 49 | 81.6% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 106.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 71 | 817 | 5 | 91 | 78.0% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 182.7 |

JAKE FERGUSON

## 09

## JAKE FERGUSON

6-5/250/AGE: 27

**EFP: 177.0**

**BYE WEEK: 14**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Regression should be expected, but Ferguson is a quality TE1 when the handful of studs dry up.

The 27-year-old is coming off a career season in which he posted 82 grabs and scored eight times, but Ferguson's "Checkdown Charlie" role produced a laughable 7.3 yards per catch on an aDOT of just 4.7 yards. That profile makes him overly dependent on finding the end zone in an offense loaded with talent, so a step backward is logical. To his credit, stable volume at a volatile position matters, and Ferguson has reeled in at least 59 balls in three straight seasons.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DAL | 17 | 71 | 761 | 5 | 102 | 69.6% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 177.1 |
| 2024 | DAL | 14 | 59 | 494 | 0 | 86 | 68.6% | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 104.4 |
| 2025 | DAL | 17 | 82 | 600 | 8 | 102 | 80.4% | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 188.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 68 | 680 | 7 | 93 | 73.0% | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 177.0 |

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MARK ANDREWS

## 10

## MARK ANDREWS

6-5/250/AGE: 31

**EFP: 172.8**

BYE WEEK: 13

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Father Time vs. Mark Andrews is the summary here. If healthy, Andrews' TD value wins out.

The good: Consecutive 17-game efforts from Andrews are awesome to see. He has found paydirt 16 times over his past 103 grabs. TE Isaiah Likely is out of the picture. The bad: He enters his age-31 season with a ton of mileage, coming off a career-worst 8.8 yards per reception. New OC Declan Doyle is a Ben Johnson guy, so at least we know there's a stable role for TEs baked in. Accept weekly fluctuations in exchange for TD hunting from Andrews.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BAL | 10 | 45 | 544 | 6 | 61 | 73.8% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 135.4 |
| 2024 | BAL | 17 | 55 | 673 | 11 | 69 | 79.7% | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 188.8 |
| 2025 | BAL | 17 | 48 | 422 | 5 | 70 | 68.6% | 0 | 0 | 48 | 1 | 131.0 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 62 | 682 | 7 | 84 | 74.0% | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 172.8 |

## 11

## JUWAN JOHNSON

6-4/231/AGE: 30

**EFP: 160.0**

BYE WEEK: 8

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The upside is scant, and he has more competition for touches, so Johnson is no stronger than a borderline TE1.

His emergence last year came on the strength of volume, landing 77 of 102 looks for 889 yards. He has scored only once per 21.2 catches over the past two years. New Orleans brought in a talented receiving back in Travis Etienne Jr., and Alvin Kamara returns for what should be a concentration of aerial involvement. With virtually no role in the red zone (7.8% target rate), and a first-round WR in Jordyn Tyson entering the fray, Johnson is more of a matchup play.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Tar- Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NO | 13 | 37 | 368 | 4 | 59 | 62.7% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 97.8 |
| 2024 | NO | 17 | 50 | 548 | 3 | 66 | 75.8% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 122.8 |
| 2025 | NO | 17 | 77 | 889 | 3 | 102 | 75.5% | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 179.9 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 63 | 680 | 5 | 89 | 71.0% | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 160.0 |

## 12

## GEORGE KITTLE

6-4/250/AGE: 32

**EFP: 157.2**

BYE WEEK: 8

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Watch his progress because Kittle may not be ready on time, which is moderately factored into this projection.

This projection is arguably the best-case scenario for the star tight end as he works back from a January Achilles tear. There's still a chance he will avoid starting the year on the Reserve/PUP, but even a Week 1 start probably means we're looking at a less explosive version of Kittle. He turns 33 in October. With Jake Tonges showing up in Kittle's absence, Mike Evans' addition and Christian McCaffrey's receiving prowess, managers should keep their expectations in check.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SF | 16 | 65 | 1,020 | 6 | 90 | 72.2% | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 203.2 |
| 2024 | SF | 15 | 78 | 1,106 | 8 | 94 | 83.0% | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 236.6 |
| 2025 | SF | 11 | 57 | 628 | 7 | 69 | 82.6% | 1 | 0 | -3 | 0 | 161.5 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 60 | 612 | 6 | 86 | 70.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 157.2 |

## 13

## DALTON KINCAID

6-3/246/AGE: 26

**EFP: 155.1**

BYE WEEK: 7

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

A fantasy tease, Kincaid is a questionable starting option but has rotational utility as a matchup play.

Kincaid's talent is evident, but he has missed time in each of his three NFL seasons. His 14.6-yard average last year was a career high, and the five TDs scored clocked in one higher than both prior seasons combined, but erratic play is a concern. While Dawson Knox occasionally steals a TD opportunity, a greater frustration is multiple possession-type receivers at Josh Allen's disposal. It's hard to argue Kincaid is anything better than a risky matchup play in aggregate.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BUF | 16 | 73 | 673 | 2 | 91 | 80.2% | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 150.3 |
| 2024 | BUF | 13 | 44 | 448 | 2 | 75 | 58.7% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100.8 |
| 2025 | BUF | 12 | 39 | 571 | 5 | 49 | 79.6% | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 126.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 58 | 731 | 4 | 77 | 75.0% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 155.1 |

## 14

## TUCKER KRAFT

6-5/259/AGE: 25

**EFP: 154.4**

BYE WEEK: 11

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

ACL recovery dampens his ceiling, but all it takes is a few more TDs than projected to make Kraft a midrange TE1.

After breaking through in 2024 with a 50-707-7 line on 70 targets, Kraft was on pace for a special season before a Week 9 ACL tear brought his heater to a crashing halt. Of his receptions in 2025, 43.2% went 10-plus yards, which was the sixth-highest rate at the position, and 27.3% of Kraft's looks came in the red zone (third-most). He's on track for Week 1 but may start on the PUP or at least be slow to get rolling. Given his profile, though, consider this a floor projection.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | GB | 17 | 31 | 355 | 2 | 40 | 77.5% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 78.5 |
| 2024 | GB | 17 | 50 | 707 | 7 | 70 | 71.4% | 0 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 163.3 |
| 2025 | GB | 8 | 32 | 489 | 6 | 44 | 72.7% | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 117.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 55 | 644 | 6 | 75 | 73.0% | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 154.4 |

## 15

## CHIG OKONKWO

6-3/238/AGE: 27

**EFP: 147.3**

BYE WEEK: 7

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

If Washington doesn't add talent over the summer, Okonkwo will be a breakout candidate and rise up the rankings.

Will a change of scenery help the athletic Okonkwo take his game to the next level? He enters Washington's offense as the undisputed top pass-catching TE, in a Dave Blough system that will cater to the position. Also, Jayden Daniels' receiving targets leave something to be desired, so there's a clear opportunity. Okonkwo may lose some underneath work to RB Rachaad White, but the former Tennessee Titan is a vertical asset down the seam when utilized correctly.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | TEN | 17 | 54 | 528 | 1 | 77 | 70.1% | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 113.4 |
| 2024 | TEN | 17 | 52 | 479 | 2 | 70 | 74.3% | 0 | 1 | 17 | 0 | 113.6 |
| 2025 | TEN | 17 | 56 | 560 | 2 | 79 | 70.9% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 124.0 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 59 | 643 | 4 | 79 | 75.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 147.3 |

## 16

## HUNTER HENRY

6-5/249/AGE: 31

**EFP: 145.0**

BYE WEEK: 11

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The added target competition will interfere with his role and drive down Henry's stock. He's a midrange TE2.

When a 31-year-old produces his strongest fantasy season in seven years, there's typically nowhere to go but down. He's been a trusty friend of QB Drake Maye through their two seasons together, but the 2026 offerings figure to be less appealing. The Pats are poised to acquire A.J. Brown after June 1, and WR Romeo Doubs will directly interfere with Henry's role. RB TreVeyon Henderson's growth also is a factor working against him.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NE | 14 | 42 | 419 | 6 | 61 | 68.9% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 119.9 |
| 2024 | NE | 16 | 66 | 674 | 2 | 97 | 68.0% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 145.4 |
| 2025 | NE | 17 | 60 | 768 | 7 | 87 | 69.0% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 178.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 54 | 610 | 5 | 93 | 58.0% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 145.0 |

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**17**

## PAT FREIERMUTH

6-5/258/AGE: 27

**EFP: 136.3**

**BYE WEEK: 9**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

He has less target competition within the position, and the QB situation can help Freiermuth rebound.

It's a little surprising the 2025 Steelers couldn't find a way to make Freiermuth a thing with Aaron Rodgers and a former TEs coach calling the plays. In 2026, the former Penn State star won't have his predictably boring play-caller hindering the outlook, and TE Jonnu Smith also is gone. Tight ends always have been part of Mike McCarthy offenses. More competition for intermediate work from Michael Pittman Jr. is disconcerting, however.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | PIT | 12 | 32 | 308 | 2 | 47 | 68.1% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 76.8 |
| 2024 | PIT | 17 | 65 | 653 | 7 | 78 | 83.3% | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 168.3 |
| 2025 | PIT | 17 | 41 | 486 | 4 | 54 | 75.9% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 113.6 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | | 573 | 5 | 62 | 79.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 136.3 |

**18**

## DALTON SCHULTZ

6-5/242/AGE: 30

**EFP: 135.7**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

In the confines of this offense, Schultz's role should be stable, but he has a ceiling low enough to hit his head on.

Schultz is boring but reliable, and there's something to be said for that at such a volatile position. His 106 targets of a year ago mark a career high, and the Wisconsin alum converted more than 77% of them for another personal best. Never much of a touchdown threat, Schultz also should see fewer looks in 2026 with ascension expected from the receiving corps. C.J. Stroud will keep him involved as a checkdown, but there's virtually no upside in that for fantasy.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | HOU | 15 | 59 | 635 | 5 | 88 | 67.0% | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 150.5 |
| 2024 | HOU | 17 | 53 | 532 | 2 | 85 | 62.4% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 118.2 |
| 2025 | HOU | 17 | 82 | 777 | 3 | 106 | 77.4% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 177.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 55 | 567 | 4 | 80 | 69.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 135.7 |

**19**

## BRENTON STRANGE

6-4/253/AGE: 25

**EFP: 132.5**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Multiple WRs on his team directly compete with Strange for intermediate targets, kneecapping his upside.

The Jags drafted two tight ends, but one is a blocker, and the other came in Round 5. Strange was off to a promising start in 2025 before an October quad strain knocked him off the chessboard for five games. He returned for a productive but inconsistent close to the season, and all three of his scores came after the absence. A rather deep receiving corps and a few versatile running backs could make him tough to rely on from week to week.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | JAC | 14 | 5 | 35 | 1 | 9 | 55.6% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14.5 |
| 2024 | JAC | 17 | 40 | 411 | 2 | 53 | 75.5% | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 91.1 |
| 2025 | JAC | 12 | 46 | 540 | 3 | 60 | 76.7% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 118.0 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 50 | 525 | 5 | 68 | 73.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 132.5 |

**20**

## ISAIAH LIKELY

6-4/245/AGE: 26

**EFP: 132.5**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

If Likely draws positive reviews over the summer for chemistry with Jaxson Dart, this ranking will travel north.

The Giants hired John Harbaugh as head coach. He, in turn, named Matt Nagy his OC, and tight end has long been a significant part of Nagy's offensive philosophy. Likely will see mostly flexed targets from a young QB in Jaxson Dart, and he's a vertical weapon as evidenced by his 8.1 aDOT last year in Baltimore. Of his 27 catches in 2025, 11.1% went for more than 20 yards. No one ought to draft the former Raven thinking he'll be a target hog, though.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BAL | 17 | 30 | 411 | 5 | 40 | 75.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 101.1 |
| 2024 | BAL | 16 | 42 | 477 | 6 | 58 | 72.4% | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 123.7 |
| 2025 | BAL | 14 | 27 | 307 | 1 | 36 | 75.0% | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 61.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 50 | 595 | 4 | 72 | 69.0% | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 132.5 |

**21**

## CADE OTTON

6-5/247/AGE: 27

**EFP: 131.9**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Otton's best hope is Chris Godwin getting injured yet again. Low-upside and a stable floor create a bore.

The 27-year-old veteran returned on a three-year, $30 million deal in March, adding a little continuity for quarterback Baker Mayfield, who has played for a different offensive coordinator in each season he's played for Tampa. Otton will be a safety blanket in the checkdown game, but having a pair of pass-catching RBs could cannibalize his target tally. With Mike Evans gone, and Chris Godwin one sneeze away from IR, consider this projection a stable floor.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | TB | 17 | 47 | 455 | 4 | 67 | 70.1% | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 116.5 |
| 2024 | TB | 14 | 59 | 600 | 4 | 87 | 67.8% | 1 | 1 | -4 | 0 | 140.6 |
| 2025 | TB | 16 | 59 | 572 | 1 | 81 | 72.8% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 122.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 55 | 539 | 4 | 80 | 69.0% | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 131.9 |

**22**

## DALLAS GOEDERT

6-5/256/AGE: 31

**EFP: 131.5**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Injury concerns and a new system drive down Goedert's projection, but this is a floor ranking.

The veteran stuck around on a one-year extension and should remain heavily involved. Philly invested a second-rounder in TE Eli Stowers, and Makai Lemon was the Eagles' first-round wide receiver investment, so Jalen Hurts may turn more to a familiar face in the early going. Goedert's ceiling is low, and his injury history is notable, so keep your expectations modest. Last year's 11-TD outburst was completely anomalous based on his history

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | PHI | 14 | 59 | 592 | 3 | 83 | 71.1% | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 136.3 |
| 2024 | PHI | 10 | 42 | 496 | 2 | 52 | 80.8% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 103.6 |
| 2025 | PHI | 15 | 60 | 591 | 11 | 82 | 73.2% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 185.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 50 | 515 | 5 | 68 | 73.0% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 131.5 |

**23**

## KENYON SADIQ

6-3/241/AGE: 21

**EFP: 130.5**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Rookie TEs tend to take too long to matter in fantasy, and Sadiq profiles as an erratic but intriguing pick in Year 1.

The Oregon rookie set the NFL Scouting Combine record for tight ends with a 4.39-second 40 time. Sadiq primarily will play a flexed role in the NFL as he's only 6-foot-3, 241 pounds, but growth and effort in his blocking are present on tape. On the Jets, there's an opportunity for immediate success with a veteran quarterback, a WR1 to draw coverage and a proven, TE-friendly system under new OC Frank Reich. The drawbacks: Rookie TEs have a steep learning curve; he's not an every-down player; and Mason Taylor will cut into his work.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 47 | 588 | 4 | 71 | 66.0% | 1 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 130.5 |

**24**

## AJ BARNER

6-6/251/AGE: 24

**EFP: 122.2**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

A value buy for deep-league TD gambles, Barner isn't a reliable starter.

In the past two years, Barner has been solid but heavily reliant on finding the end zone, scoring once every 8.2 grabs since entering the league. He has averaged the sixth-lowest aDOT among qualifying tight ends, and the Michigan product has eclipsed 10 PPR points only three times in 34 games when he didn't score a TD. Seattle remains committed to the run, and it's hard to pile up targets with Jaxon Smith-Njigba hogging all the looks. At any rate, Barner should remain in Seattle's TE1 chair but may lose meaningful targets to 2025 second-round tight end Elijah Arroyo this year.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | SEA | 17 | 30 | 245 | 4 | 38 | 78.9% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 78.5 |
| 2025 | SEA | 17 | 52 | 519 | 6 | 68 | 76.5% | 0 | 0 | 14 | 1 | 147.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 48 | 494 | 4 | 65 | 74.0% | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 122.2 |

## 25

## GUNNAR HELM

6-5/241/AGE: 24

**EFP: 120.8**

**BYE WEEK: 9**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Helm has potential but far too many question marks outside of his control.

The Titans turned the offense over to Brian Daboll, whose tight ends have been solid in the past. Chig Okonkwo left in free agency, paving the way for Helm to assume the TE1 chores. However, despite there being a hint of sleeper appeal for the 2025 fourth-round pick, Tennessee added Daniel Bellinger, who played under Daboll with the Giants. Inexperienced quarterbacks tend to lean on TEs, which is a plus for Helm, but Cam Ward has a fairly deep receiving corps in Year 2.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | TEN | 16 | 44 | 357 | 2 | 55 | 80.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 91.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 53 | 498 | 3 | 75 | 71.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 120.8 |

## 26

## DAVID NJOKU

6-4/246/AGE: 30

**EFP: 110.4**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Factoring in his injury history, a poor system for TEs and a ton of competition, Njoku is merely a match-up-based flier.

The veteran turns 30 before the season opens, and he'll play on a one-year deal inside this crowded offense that runs a system not known for TE success. The Chargers have a wealth of young talent in the passing game, and Njoku hasn't been able to stay healthy throughout his career, especially over the past two years. This projection bakes in some of that likely downside, and it's not hard to see how he'll be overvalued based on name-brand recognition.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CLE | 16 | 81 | 882 | 6 | 123 | 65.9% | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 160.7 |
| 2024 | CLE | 11 | 64 | 505 | 5 | 97 | 66.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 116.5 |
| 2025 | CLE | 12 | 33 | 293 | 4 | 48 | 68.8% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 86.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 40 | 404 | 5 | 61 | 66.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 110.4 |

## 27

## T.J. HOCKENSON

6-5/248/AGE: 29

**EFP: 106.6**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Consistency will be a struggle, and staying healthy is a concern. He's a fringe starter with strong matchups.

A late-season 2023 ACL tear doomed his '24 campaign before it began, and Hockenson played only 10 games. He was limited to 15 appearances last year and ended the season on IR with a shoulder injury. Turning 29 the day before America turns 250 makes a rebound dubious but not entirely without merit. Kyler Murray upgrades the passing game over J.J. McCarthy, and making Justin Jefferson terrifying again helps Hock in coverage.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | MIN | 15 | 95 | 960 | 5 | 127 | 74.8% | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 219.0 |
| 2024 | MIN | 10 | 41 | 455 | 0 | 62 | 66.1% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 86.5 |
| 2025 | MIN | 15 | 51 | 438 | 3 | 66 | 77.3% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 112.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 43 | 456 | 3 | 73 | 80.0% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 106.6 |

## 28

## JA'TAVION SANDERS

6-4/243/AGE: 23

**EFP: 101.6**

**BYE WEEK: 5**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Don't be surprised if Sanders slowly moves up the rankings in the preseason and becomes a sleeper darling.

Sanders is a curious case to project. There's an opportunity to be had in Carolina's passing game behind Tetairoa McMillan, and the third-year tight end could surprise. That said, it's a wild leap of faith to get there. In his first two years, Sanders averaged just 8.6 yards per catch, and his average depth of target in 2025 was a lowly 4.8 yards. Bryce Young showed growth in 2025, but there's still too much working against Sanders, including TE Tommy Tremble's presence, to fully buy into a sleeper effort.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | CAR | 16 | 33 | 342 | 1 | 43 | 76.7% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 73.2 |
| 2025 | CAR | 13 | 29 | 190 | 1 | 34 | 85.3% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 54.0 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 39 | 386 | 4 | 54 | 72.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 101.6 |

## 29

## COLBY PARKINSON

6-7/266/AGE: 27

**EFP: 100.0**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

At best, Parkinson is a risky flier for cheap points in a pinch, but DFS or best-ball TE3 use is where he shines.

Parkinson's mini breakout in 2025 was far too touchdown-dependent for fantasy owners to get excited, and his athletic profile isn't particularly appealing. He hasn't averaged more than 9.9 yards per grab in three straight years, and his aDOT was just 4.4 yards. Los Angeles has two elite receivers and a trio of other capable tight ends on this depth chart. Parkinson mustered a lone double-digit PPR performance in '25 without scoring a TD. That's a tough sell.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SEA | 17 | 25 | 247 | 2 | 34 | 73.5% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 61.7 |
| 2024 | LAR | 17 | 30 | 294 | 1 | 49 | 61.2% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 65.4 |
| 2025 | LAR | 15 | 43 | 408 | 8 | 56 | 76.8% | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 129.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 35 | 350 | 5 | 43 | 81.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100.0 |

## 30

## JAKE TONGES

6-4/240/AGE: 27

**EFP: 98.0**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Tonges will move up into the low teens if George Kittle starts the year on the PUP.

George Kittle suffered a torn Achilles in the wild-card round and will be cutting it awfully close to be ready for Week 1. Even if he makes the deadline, the 49ers are likely to include Tonges more in the early going. Last season, he caught 34 of 46 targets and scored five TDs, with 22 grabs for 209 yards and two scores coming during Weeks 2-6 as Kittle missed time with a torn hammy. In the event Kittle misses extended action, Tonges' value soars.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | SF | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | N/A | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 2025 | SF | 17 | 34 | 293 | 5 | 46 | 73.9% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 93.3 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 41 | 390 | 3 | 52 | 79.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 98.0 |

## 31

## MIKE GESICKI

6-6/245/AGE: 30

**EFP: 95.8**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Don't be shocked if Gesicki loses his role to Erick All Jr. Until then, he's merely a weak flier off the wire.

Following a small rebound effort in 2024, Gesicki went on IR with a pec injury after Week 5 and didn't return until Week 12 last season. He caught two touchdowns for the third straight year, but the 28 grabs were the fewest since his 2018 rookie season. The Bengals simply have too many weapons, and a large factor in his '24 uptick was Tee Higgins missing time. Unless something similar happens again, and presuming Joe Burrow can stay healthy, Gesicki's ceiling is low.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NE | 17 | 29 | 244 | 2 | 45 | 64.4% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 65.4 |
| 2024 | CIN | 17 | 65 | 665 | 2 | 83 | 78.3% | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 141.5 |
| 2025 | CIN | 13 | 28 | 307 | 2 | 42 | 66.7% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 70.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 36 | 418 | 3 | 48 | 75.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 95.8 |

## 32

## ORONDE GADSDEN

6-5/236/AGE: 23

**EFP: 91.2**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

There are so many targets for Justin Herbert that Gadsden could get lost in the shuffle. He's a matchup play.

As a 2025 rookie, the fifth-rounder from Syracuse snatched 49 of his 69 targets for a hearty 13.6-yard average. Gadsden stole the show from Weeks 6-9 by averaging 18.4 points in PPR and scoring two of his three TDs over that four-game stretch. Unfortunately, he then disappeared just as quickly, generating only 15.8 total fantasy points in the next month. Too many mouths to feed imply the season-long numbers will appear stronger than his weekly utility.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | LAC | 15 | 49 | 664 | 3 | 69 | 71.0% | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 131.4 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 30 | 372 | 4 | 44 | 68.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 91.2 |

## 33

## EVAN ENGRAM

6-3/240/AGE: 32

**EFP: 90.0**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The only thing that kept Engram's value afloat was volume, and that's no longer a thing with Jaylen Waddle in town.

Engram was allergic to the end zone in his first year with the Broncos, scoring only once on 50 grabs over 76 targets, and he has found paydirt just twice in the past 97 catches. Turning 32 in September, the veteran is not a reliable fantasy option, and the Broncos spent fifth- and seventh-round picks on the position. While hardly an immediate threat, it's an indicator. Also, head coach Sean Payton favorite Adam Trautman returns to interfere.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | JAC | 17 | 114 | 963 | 4 | 143 | 79.7% | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 230.3 |
| 2024 | JAC | 9 | 47 | 365 | 1 | 64 | 73.4% | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 89.5 |
| 2025 | DEN | 16 | 50 | 461 | 1 | 76 | 65.8% | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 102.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 42 | 370 | 2 | 59 | 71.0% | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 90.0 |

## 34

## COLE KMET

6-6/257/AGE: 27

**EFP: 87.3**

**BYE WEEK: 10**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

The best hope here is an unexpected trade, which would make Kmet a viable TE3 in best-ball.

The Bears drafted Colston Loveland in Round 1 last year, but it took him some time to catch on. It wasn't until Week 9 that he made a dent, and head coach Ben Johnson really leaned on the rookie into the playoff run. Kmet's involvement never really changed much, outside of a season-high nine looks in Week 4. He slightly improved down the stretch, but we're talking about going from one grab to two per game. With Loveland firmly latched onto the TE1 role, Kmet doesn't belong on the fantasy radar without an injury opening the door.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CHI | 17 | 73 | 719 | 6 | 90 | 81.1% | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 181.1 |
| 2024 | CHI | 17 | 47 | 474 | 4 | 55 | 85.5% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 120.4 |
| 2025 | CHI | 16 | 30 | 347 | 2 | 48 | 62.5% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 78.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 33 | 363 | 3 | 45 | 74.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 87.3 |

## 35

## DAWSON KNOX

6-4/254/AGE: 29

**EFP: 78.5**

**BYE WEEK: 7**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Knox is a No. 3 in best-ball whose fantasy value is directly tied to the health of Dalton Kincaid.

In the middle of the pack with an overall PFF grade of 68.6, Knox ranked only 25th of 37 TEs in receiving metrics in 2025. After snaring a TD every nine grabs last year, he's more of a nuisance to Dalton Kincaid owners than a true fantasy asset in his own right. Knox played a full slate for the first time in his career, and he's a viable waiver option if Kincaid were to miss time, but there's not enough of a role here.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BUF | 12 | 22 | 186 | 2 | 36 | 61.1% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 54.6 |
| 2024 | BUF | 16 | 22 | 311 | 1 | 33 | 66.7% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 59.1 |
| 2025 | BUF | 17 | 36 | 417 | 4 | 49 | 73.5% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 101.7 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 27 | 335 | 3 | 40 | 68.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 78.5 |

## 36

## THEO JOHNSON

6-6/264/AGE: 25

**EFP: 71.6**

**BYE WEEK: 8**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Johnson's value could spike if Isaiah Likely gets injured. Ignore him in all formats otherwise.

The Giants brought in flex tight end Isaiah Likely during free agency, and he's expected to be New York's primary target at the position. Johnson was starting to make a dent as a receiver in his second year, hauling in five TDs on 74 targets. A closer look shows that he ranked 33rd of 37 qualified TEs by PFF, and he's expected to assume more of a blocking role in 2026.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | NYG | 12 | 29 | 331 | 1 | 43 | 67.4% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 68.1 |
| 2025 | NYG | 15 | 45 | 528 | 5 | 74 | 60.8% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 127.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 28 | 316 | 2 | 39 | 72.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 71.6 |

## 37

## MATT HIBNER

6-4/251/AGE: 24

**EFP: 71.1**

**BYE WEEK: 13**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

While his future is bright, Hibner's best-case fantasy role in 2026 comes via a Mark Andrews injury.

One of Baltimore's two midround TE selections, Hibner transferred from Michigan to SMU, where he scored eight total touchdowns spread evenly over the past two years. There's a chance to make a difference in 2026 if veteran Mark Andrews were to miss significant time, but rookie TEs rarely pick up the game quickly enough to capitalize on opportunities. The athletic Hibner is not even a lock for the TE2 gig after Isaiah Likely's departure, so watch how this plays out in camp and preseason play.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 27 | 321 | 2 | 42 | 65.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 71.1 |

## 38

## GREG DULCICH

6-4/245/AGE: 26

**EFP: 69.1**

**BYE WEEK: 6**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

There's a small chance Dulcich matters in fantasy based on how few proven weapons exist in Miami.

Dulcich may be the veteran on the Dolphins' depth chart, but he's not a fantasy-relevant option, and Miami invested a pair of picks in the position this year. There's an opportunity here with such a flimsy receiving corps, but the overall passing game is suppressed with Malik Willis starting under center, and most short-area targets will go toward RB De'Von Achane.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DEN | 2 | 3 | 25 | 0 | 4 | 75.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5.5 |
| 2024 | DEN/NYG | 4 | 5 | 28 | 0 | 12 | 41.7% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7.8 |
| 2025 | MIA | 10 | 26 | 335 | 1 | 33 | 78.8% | 0 | 1 | -7 | 0 | 62.8 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 28 | 291 | 2 | 47 | 70.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 69.1 |

## 39

## LUKE MUSGRAVE

6-6/253/AGE: 26

**EFP: 68.3**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

Musgrave couldn't even matter as a starter after Tucker Kraft was lost last year. Punt.

Unless Tucker Kraft fails to return on time from his 2025 Week 9 ACL tear, Musgrave is entirely devoid of fantasy value this season in classic formats. He failed to score a touchdown in 2025, which includes the Weeks 9-18 stretch when the Packers were without Kraft, and Musgrave didn't even get into double-digit PPR territory.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | GB | 11 | 34 | 352 | 1 | 46 | 73.9% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 75.2 |
| 2024 | GB | 7 | 7 | 45 | 0 | 10 | 70.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11.5 |
| 2025 | GB | 17 | 24 | 252 | 0 | 31 | 77.4% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 49.2 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 28 | 283 | 2 | 38 | 74.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 68.3 |

## 40

## TYLER HIGBEE

6-6/253/AGE: 33

**EFP: 63.8**

**BYE WEEK: 11**

**ATHLON'S TAKE**

An unpredictable TD here or there from a veteran in a crowded TE room isn't even worth flier consideration.

While Higbee keeps plugging away in Year 11, he has played only 13 games in the past two seasons combined and has tallied only 33 catches over that span, rendering him irrelevant in traditional fantasy football. With younger, more dynamic options around him, Higbee's role is far too small for fantasy purposes.

| Year | Team | GP | Rec | Rec Yards | TDs | Target | Target Success | 100 YG | Fum-Lost | Rush Yds | Rush TDs | Fan Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LAR | 15 | 47 | 495 | 2 | 70 | 67.1% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 108.5 |
| 2024 | LAR | 3 | 8 | 66 | 2 | 12 | 66.7% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26.6 |
| 2025 | LAR | 10 | 25 | 281 | 3 | 36 | 69.4% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 71.1 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 22 | 238 | 3 | 35 | 63.00% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 63.8 |

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## STAFF TOP 12s

| LUKE EASTERLING | CRAIG ELLENPORT | MARK ROSS | CORY BONINI | KYLE WOOD |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Houston Texans | 1. Houston Texans | 1. Houston Texans | 1. Los Angeles Rams | 1. Houston Texans |
| 2. Denver Broncos | 2. Seattle Seahawks | 2. Denver Broncos | 2. Denver Broncos | 2. Denver Broncos |
| 3. Seattle Seahawks | 3. Denver Broncos | 3. Seattle Seahawks | 3. Buffalo Bills | 3. Seattle Seahawks |
| 4. Philadelphia Eagles | 4. Los Angeles Rams | 4. Los Angeles Rams | 4. Houston Texans | 4. New England Patriots |
| 5. Cleveland Browns | 5. Minnesota Vikings | 5. Buffalo Bills | 5. Minnesota Vikings | 5. Minnesota Vikings |
| 6. New England Patriots | 6. Cleveland Browns | 6. Pittsburgh Steelers | 6. Chicago Bears | 6. Philadelphia Eagles |
| 7. Pittsburgh Steelers | 7. New England Patriots | 7. Los Angeles Chargers | 7. Seattle Seahawks | 7. Jacksonville Jaguars |
| 8. Baltimore Ravens | 8. Los Angeles Chargers | 8. Baltimore Ravens | 8. Pittsburgh Steelers | 8. Pittsburgh Steelers |
| 9. Minnesota Vikings | 9. Baltimore Ravens | 9. Cleveland Browns | 9. Baltimore Ravens | 9. Los Angeles Rams |
| 10. Los Angeles Rams | 10. Philadelphia Eagles | 10. Philadelphia Eagles | 10. Los Angeles Chargers | 10. Cleveland Browns |
| 11. Jacksonville Jaguars | 11. Green Bay Packers | 11. Chicago Bears | 11. Las Vegas Raiders | 11. Green Bay Packers |
| 12. Kansas City Chiefs | 12. Jacksonville Jaguars | 12. Detroit Lions | 12. Cleveland Browns | 12. Baltimore Ravens |

| | LUKE EASTERLING | CRAIG ELLENPORT | MARK ROSS | CORY BONINI | KYLE WOOD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sleeper | Buccaneers | Giants | Panthers | Raiders | Bills |
| Deep Sleeper | Commanders | Cowboys | Commanders | Titans | Bears |
| Bounce-Back | Ravens | Packers | 49ers | Packers | Ravens |
| Bust | Chargers | Steelers | Vikings | Patriots | Chiefs |

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## 2026 RANKINGS

| Rk | Team | Bye | Rk | Team | Bye | Rk | Team | Bye |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ 1 | Rams | 11 | ☐ 12 | Browns | 11 | ☐ 23 | Giants | 8 |
| ☐ 2 | Broncos | 10 | ☐ 13 | Lions | 6 | ☐ 24 | Falcons | 11 |
| ☐ 3 | Bills | 7 | ☐ 14 | Eagles | 10 | ☐ 25 | Buccaneers | 10 |
| ☐ 4 | Texans | 8 | ☐ 15 | Packers | 11 | ☐ 26 | Colts | 13 |
| ☐ 5 | Vikings | 6 | ☐ 16 | Panthers | 5 | ☐ 27 | Bengals | 6 |
| ☐ 6 | Bears | 10 | ☐ 17 | Patriots | 11 | ☐ 28 | 49ers | 8 |
| ☐ 7 | Seahawks | 11 | ☐ 18 | Jaguars | 7 | ☐ 29 | Chiefs | 5 |
| ☐ 8 | Steelers | 9 | ☐ 19 | Titans | 9 | ☐ 30 | Jets | 13 |
| ☐ 9 | Ravens | 13 | ☐ 20 | Commanders | 7 | ☐ 31 | Cardinals | 14 |
| ☐ 10 | Chargers | 7 | ☐ 21 | Saints | 8 | ☐ 32 | Dolphins | 6 |
| ☐ 11 | Raiders | 13 | ☐ 22 | Cowboys | 14 | | | |

## GOING UP

### LAS VEGAS RAIDERS

Star defensive end Maxx Crosby returns following a failed physical that nullified a trade. Free-agent additions in pass-rusher Kwity Paye, linebackers Nakobe Dean and Quay Walker and cornerback Taron Johnson put more talent around him and give new defensive coordinator Rob Leonard building blocks for this 3-4 realignment. Vegas also invested second- and third-round picks in safety Treydan Stukes and edge Keyron Crawford. All told, few teams have overhauled a unit as heavily as the Raiders.

### LOS ANGELES RAMS

The Rams already offered top-10 fantasy value in 2025, finishing with 47 sacks (tied for seventh) and 26 takeaways (fifth). Cobie Durant's departure matters less after L.A. traded for former Kansas City Chiefs cornerback Trent McDuffie and signed his teammate Jaylen Watson in free agency in what amounts to a noteworthy upgrade at the position, while Kam Curl returns to man the starting strong safety role. Chris Shula returns as defensive coordinator, and the Rams are positioned for a leap into the elite fantasy tier.

### DALLAS COWBOYS

Only two defenses produced fewer takeaways than the Cowboys a year ago, and this was among the worst groups regardless of fantasy scoring wrinkles. In the offseason, Dallas brought in veteran help with edge Rashan Gary, safety Jalen Thompson and cornerback Cobie Durant. The franchise also drafted safety Caleb Downs and edge Malachi Lawrence in Round 1, later adding a trio of depth picks spread across all three defensive layers. New defensive coordinator Christian Parker has a formidable foundation to mold after a dreadful 2025 effort.

## GOING DOWN

### GREEN BAY PACKERS

There is considerable uncertainty in Green Bay, starting at the top. Jonathan Gannon replaces Jeff Hafley as defensive coordinator, restoring the 3-4 base alignment. Micah Parsons' December ACL tear clouds his 2026 expectations, and Rashan Gary, Colby Wooden, Quay Walker and Nate Hobbs all moved out of Titletown. The Packers turned to defensive lineman Javon Hargrave, 33, and linebacker Zaire Franklin as veteran help in free agency. Sizable personnel and scheme changes make one of 2025's worst fantasy units once again a tough sell in fantasy leagues.

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### PHILADELPHIA EAGLES

Edge Jaelan Phillips, linebacker Nakobe Dean and safety Reed Blankenship are gone and won't be easy to replace. The arrival of inconsistent corner Riq Woolen is a net positive, and Philly traded for pass-rushing linebacker Jonathan Greenard during the NFL Draft. However, Greenard is coming off only three sacks in 12 games after 24.5 in his previous 32 outings. Philadelphia retained Vic Fangio to call plays, but the defense lost several useful pieces from its second and third levels, so this could take time to develop.

### INDIANAPOLIS COLTS

The 2025 Colts managed a modest 39 sacks and then lost 12 of them in free agency with the departures of Kwity Paye, Samson Ebukam, Nick Cross and Neville Gallimore. While Arden Key and Micheal Clemons were brought in to help, neither is a premier pass-rusher. Furthermore, trading Indy's leading tackler, Zaire Franklin, softens the middle of coordinator Lou Anarumo's already suspect defense. Second-round pick CJ Allen should replace Franklin, though a rookie learning curve is a fair expectation.

## 01
## LOS ANGELES RAMS

**EFP: 147**

'25 PPG: 10th
'25 YPG: 17th
'25 vs. RUN: 12th
'25 vs. PASS: 19th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 10 | 5 | 41 | 337.9 | 22.2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 82 |
| 2024 | 13 | 7 | 38 | 353.1 | 22.7 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 125 |
| 2025 | 16 | 10 | 47 | 327.5 | 20.4 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 146 |
| 2026 PROJ. | 18 | 9 | 45 | 303.0 | 19.9 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 147 |

## 02
## DENVER BRONCOS

**EFP: 144**

'25 PPG: 3rd
'25 YPG: 2nd
'25 vs. RUN: 2nd
'25 vs. PASS: 7th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 11 | 15 | 42 | 370.8 | 24.3 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 123 |
| 2024 | 15 | 10 | 63 | 317.1 | 18.3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 182 |
| 2025 | 10 | 4 | 68 | 278.2 | 18.3 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 136 |
| 2026 PROJ. | 11 | 8 | 58 | 320.0 | 19 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 144 |

## 03
## BUFFALO BILLS

**EFP: 140**

'25 PPG: 12th
'25 YPG: 7th
'25 vs. RUN: 28th
'25 vs. PASS: 1st

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 18 | 12 | 54 | 307.2 | 18.3 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 161 |
| 2024 | 16 | 16 | 39 | 341.5 | 21.6 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 158 |
| 2025 | 13 | 7 | 36 | 293.1 | 21.5 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 122 |
| 2026 PROJ. | 14 | 12 | 40 | 328.0 | 21 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 140 |

## 04
## HOUSTON TEXANS

**EFP: 138**

'25 PPG: 2nd
'25 YPG: 1st
'25 vs. RUN: 4th
'25 vs. PASS: 6th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 14 | 10 | 46 | 330.7 | 20.8 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 121 |
| 2024 | 19 | 10 | 49 | 315.0 | 21.9 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 134 |
| 2025 | 19 | 10 | 47 | 277.2 | 17.4 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 150 |
| 2026 PROJ. | 18 | 11 | 46 | 307.0 | 18 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 138 |

## 05
## MINNESOTA VIKINGS

**EFP: 135**

'25 PPG: 7th
'25 YPG: 3rd
'25 vs. RUN: 21st
'25 vs. PASS: 2nd

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 11 | 11 | 43 | 333.2 | 21.3 | 3 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 120 |
| 2024 | 24 | 9 | 49 | 335.4 | 19.5 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 161 |
| 2025 | 8 | 13 | 49 | 282.6 | 19.6 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 138 |
| 2026 PROJ. | 14 | 11 | 46 | 296.0 | 20 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 135 |

## 06
## CHICAGO BEARS

**EFP: 134**

'25 PPG: 23rd
'25 YPG: 29th
'25 vs. RUN: 27th
'25 vs. PASS: 22nd

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 22 | 6 | 30 | 324.2 | 22.3 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 105 |
| 2024 | 11 | 13 | 40 | 354.2 | 21.8 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 120 |
| 2025 | 23 | 10 | 35 | 361.8 | 24.4 | 1 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 120 |
| 2026 PROJ. | 16 | 11 | 39 | 330.0 | 21.9 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 134 |

## 07
## SEATTLE SEAHAWKS

**EFP: 133**

'25 PPG: 1st
'25 YPG: 6th
'25 vs. RUN: 3rd
'25 vs. PASS: 10th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 11 | 8 | 47 | 371.4 | 23.6 | 2 | 9 | 3 | 0 | 117 |
| 2024 | 13 | 5 | 45 | 332.7 | 21.6 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 134 |
| 2025 | 18 | 7 | 47 | 285.9 | 17.2 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 161 |
| 2026 PROJ. | 15 | 6 | 44 | 321.0 | 18.4 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 133 |

## 08
## PITTSBURGH STEELERS

**EFP: 131**

'25 PPG: 17th
'25 YPG: 26th
'25 vs. RUN: 13th
'25 vs. PASS: 29th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 16 | 11 | 47 | 342.1 | 19.1 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 136 |
| 2024 | 17 | 16 | 40 | 326.7 | 20.4 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 139 |
| 2025 | 15 | 12 | 48 | 356.9 | 22.8 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 129 |
| 2026 PROJ. | 16 | 13 | 45 | 349.0 | 21.1 | 2 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 131 |

## 09
## BALTIMORE RAVENS

**EFP: 127**

'25 PPG: 18th
'25 YPG: 24th
'25 vs. RUN: 10th
'25 vs. PASS: T-30th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 18 | 13 | 60 | 301.4 | 16.5 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 172 |
| 2024 | 12 | 5 | 54 | 324.2 | 21.2 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 128 |
| 2025 | 11 | 9 | 30 | 354.5 | 23.4 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 110 |
| 2026 PROJ. | 13 | 11 | 45 | 365.0 | 21.9 | 4 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 127 |

## 10
## LOS ANGELES CHARGERS

**EFP: 122**

'25 PPG: 9th
'25 YPG: 5th
'25 vs. RUN: 8th
'25 vs. PASS: 5th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 9 | 12 | 48 | 362.9 | 23.4 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 111 |
| 2024 | 15 | 6 | 46 | 324.4 | 17.7 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 129 |
| 2025 | 19 | 4 | 45 | 285.2 | 20.0 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1114 |
| 2026 PROJ. | 16 | 7 | 43 | 327.0 | 21.8 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 122 |

## 11
## LAS VEGAS RAIDERS

**EFP: 122**

'25 PPG: 25th
'25 YPG: 14th
'25 vs. RUN: 17th
'25 vs. PASS: 14th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 13 | 9 | 46 | 330.9 | 19.5 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 136 |
| 2024 | 10 | 3 | 38 | 333.1 | 25.5 | 2 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 84 |
| 2025 | 8 | 8 | 37 | 317.8 | 25.4 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 85 |
| 2026 PROJ. | 16 | 7 | 43 | 327.0 | 21.8 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 122 |

## 12
## CLEVELAND BROWNS

**EFP: 119**

'25 PPG: 14th
'25 YPG: 4th
'25 vs. RUN: 16th
'25 vs. PASS: 3rd

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 18 | 10 | 49 | 270.2 | 21.3 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 151 |
| 2024 | 4 | 8 | 41 | 342.1 | 25.6 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 79 |
| 2025 | 11 | 7 | 53 | 283.6 | 22.3 | 4 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 141 |
| 2026 PROJ. | 12 | 8 | 46 | 314.0 | 22.9 | 3 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 119 |

## 13
## DETROIT LIONS

**EFP: 115**

'25 PPG: 22nd
'25 YPG: 18th
'25 vs. RUN: 14th
'25 vs. PASS: 20th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 16 | 7 | 41 | 336.1 | 23.2 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 116 |
| 2024 | 16 | 8 | 37 | 342.4 | 20.1 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 125 |
| 2025 | 13 | 6 | 49 | 331.9 | 24.3 | 2 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 109 |
| 2026 PROJ. | 14 | 7 | 45 | 352.0 | 22.2 | 2 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 115 |

## 14
## PHILADELPHIA EAGLES

**EFP: 115**

'25 PPG: 5th
'25 YPG: 13th
'25 vs. RUN: 22nd
'25 vs. PASS: 8th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 9 | 9 | 43 | 356.1 | 25.2 | 0 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 99 |
| 2024 | 13 | 13 | 41 | 278.4 | 17.8 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 120 |
| 2025 | 12 | 9 | 42 | 314.2 | 19.1 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 123 |
| 2026 PROJ. | 13 | 10 | 40 | 327.0 | 18.6 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 115 |

## 15
## GREEN BAY PACKERS

**EFP: 113**

'25 PPG: 5th
'25 YPG: 13th
'25 vs. RUN: 22nd
'25 vs. PASS: 8th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 7 | 11 | 45 | 335.1 | 20.6 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 114 |
| 2024 | 17 | 14 | 45 | 314.5 | 19.9 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 134 |
| 2025 | 7 | 7 | 36 | 311.8 | 21.2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 78 |
| 2026 PROJ. | 11 | 9 | 44 | 335.0 | 22.4 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 113 |

## 16
## CAROLINA PANTHERS

**EFP: 112**

'25 PPG: 15th
'25 YPG: 16th
'25 vs. RUN: 20th
'25 vs. PASS: 15th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 8 | 3 | 27 | 293.9 | 24.5 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 75 |
| 2024 | 9 | 8 | 32 | 404.5 | 31.4 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 66 |
| 2025 | 15 | 6 | 30 | 327.2 | 22.4 | 2 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 98 |
| 2026 PROJ. | 14 | 8 | 41 | 317.0 | 21.9 | 3 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 112 |

## 17

## NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

**EFP: 112**

'25 PPG: 4th
'25 YPG: 8th
'25 vs. RUN: 6th
'25 vs. PASS: 9th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 10 | 8 | 36 | 301.6 | 21.5 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 108 |
| 2024 | 7 | 5 | 28 | 342.9 | 24.5 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 72 |
| 2025 | 10 | 9 | 35 | 295.2 | 18.8 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 119 |
| **2026 PROJ.** | **12** | **8** | **37** | **315.0** | **20.5** | **3** | **5** | **1** | **1** | **112** |

## 18

## JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS

**EFP: 110**

'25 PPG: 8th
'25 YPG: 11th
'25 vs. RUN: 1st
'25 vs. PASS: 21st

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 16 | 11 | 40 | 342.8 | 21.8 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 127 |
| 2024 | 6 | 3 | 34 | 389.9 | 25.6 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 71 |
| 2025 | 22 | 9 | 32 | 303.6 | 19.8 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 155 |
| **2026 PROJ.** | **17** | **7** | **36** | **353.0** | **23.5** | **2** | **7** | **1** | **1** | **110** |

## 19

## TENNESSEE TITANS

**EFP: 109**

'25 PPG: 28th
'25 YPG: 21st
'25 vs. RUN: 15th
'25 vs. PASS: 23rd

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 6 | 8 | 45 | 335.1 | 21.6 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 93 |
| 2024 | 11 | 7 | 32 | 311.2 | 27.1 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 79 |
| 2025 | 6 | 8 | 42 | 345.1 | 28.1 | 1 | 10 | 2 | 2 | 103 |
| **2026 PROJ.** | **10** | **9** | **43** | **349.0** | **25.8** | **2** | **9** | **1** | **1** | **109** |

## 20

## WASHINGTON COMMANDERS

**EFP: 109**

'25 PPG: 27th
'25 YPG: 32nd
'25 vs. RUN: 30th
'25 vs. PASS: 28th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 8 | 10 | 39 | 388.9 | 30.5 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 82 |
| 2024 | 7 | 10 | 43 | 326.9 | 23.0 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 90 |
| 2025 | 8 | 2 | 42 | 384.3 | 26.5 | 2 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 90 |
| **2026 PROJ.** | **12** | **9** | **47** | **363.0** | **23.6** | **2** | **9** | **0** | **1** | **109** |

## 21

## NEW ORLEANS SAINTS

**EFP: 107**

'25 PPG: 16th
'25 YPG: 9th
'25 vs. RUN: 19th
'25 vs. PASS: 4th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 18 | 11 | 34 | 327.2 | 19.2 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 125 |
| 2024 | 14 | 3 | 39 | 379.9 | 23.4 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 88 |
| 2025 | 10 | 10 | 45 | 299.8 | 22.5 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 117 |
| **2026 PROJ.** | **11** | **11** | **43** | **320.0** | **21.1** | **2** | **7** | **1** | **0** | **107** |

## 22

## DALLAS COWBOYS

**EFP: 106**

'25 PPG: 32nd
'25 YPG: 30th
'25 vs. RUN: 23rd
'25 vs. PASS: 32nd

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 17 | 9 | 46 | 299.7 | 18.5 | 7 | 5 | 7 | 0 | 191 |
| 2024 | 13 | 9 | 52 | 355.2 | 27.5 | 0 | 10 | 1 | 3 | 120 |
| 2025 | 6 | 6 | 35 | 377.0 | 30.1 | 0 | 11 | 2 | 0 | 73 |
| **2026 PROJ.** | **14** | **9** | **39** | **343.0** | **24.8** | **1** | **8** | **1** | **1** | **106** |

## 23

## NEW YORK GIANTS

**EFP: 105**

'25 PPG: 26th
'25 YPG: 28th
'25 vs. RUN: 31st
'25 vs. PASS: 16th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 18 | 13 | 34 | 361.7 | 23.9 | 3 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 135 |
| 2024 | 5 | 10 | 45 | 346.8 | 24.4 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 101 |
| 2025 | 9 | 6 | 39 | 359.5 | 25.8 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 88 |
| **2026 PROJ.** | **13** | **9** | **42** | **347.0** | **24.8** | **1** | **8** | **1** | **1** | **105** |

## 24

## ATLANTA FALCONS

**EFP: 104**

'25 PPG: 19th
'25 YPG: 15th
'25 vs. RUN: 24th
'25 vs. PASS: 13th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 8 | 8 | 42 | 321.1 | 21.9 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 110 |
| 2024 | 12 | 6 | 31 | 345.2 | 24.9 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 107 |
| 2025 | 16 | 7 | 57 | 326.6 | 23.6 | 2 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 123 |
| **2026 PROJ.** | **12** | **6** | **46** | **356.0** | **24.4** | **2** | **7** | **1** | **0** | **104** |

## 25

## TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS

**EFP: 98**

'25 PPG: T-20th
'25 YPG: 19th
'25 vs. RUN: 5th
'25 vs. PASS: 27th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 13 | 13 | 48 | 344.2 | 19.1 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 129 |
| 2024 | 7 | 11 | 46 | 341.8 | 22.6 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 103 |
| 2025 | 13 | 10 | 37 | 337.2 | 24.2 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 104 |
| **2026 PROJ.** | **11** | **9** | **36** | **348.0** | **24.6** | **2** | **9** | **1** | **0** | **98** |

## 26

## INDIANAPOLIS COLTS

**EFP: 97**

'25 PPG: 20th
'25 YPG: 23rd
'25 vs. RUN: 7th
'25 vs. PASS: T-30th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 15 | 9 | 51 | 349.8 | 24.4 | 1 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 138 |
| 2024 | 16 | 9 | 36 | 361.2 | 25.1 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 99 |
| 2025 | 14 | 7 | 39 | 349.8 | 24.2 | 2 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 101 |
| **2026 PROJ.** | **14** | **8** | **40** | **372.0** | **20.9** | **1** | **9** | **1** | **0** | **97** |

## 27

## CINCINNATI BENGALS

**EFP: 96**

'25 PPG: 30th
'25 YPG: 31st
'25 vs. RUN: 32nd
'25 vs. PASS: 26th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 17 | 9 | 44 | 374.6 | 22.6 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 109 |
| 2024 | 15 | 10 | 36 | 348.3 | 25.5 | 2 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 120 |
| 2025 | 13 | 8 | 35 | 380.9 | 28.9 | 1 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 96 |
| **2026 PROJ.** | **12** | **9** | **35** | **346.0** | **26.1** | **1** | **8** | **1** | **1** | **96** |

## 28

## SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS

**EFP: 88**

'25 PPG: 13th
'25 YPG: 20th
'25 vs. RUN: 11th
'25 vs. PASS: 25th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 22 | 6 | 48 | 303.9 | 17.5 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 147 |
| 2024 | 11 | 6 | 37 | 317.4 | 25.6 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 83 |
| 2025 | 6 | 10 | 20 | 340.2 | 21.8 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 79 |
| **2026 PROJ.** | **12** | **8** | **28** | **333.0** | **22.8** | **2** | **7** | **1** | **0** | **88** |

## 29

## KANSAS CITY CHIEFS

**EFP: 85**

'25 PPG: 6th
'25 YPG: 10th
'25 vs. RUN: 9th
'25 vs. PASS: 12th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 8 | 9 | 57 | 289.8 | 17.3 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 131 |
| 2024 | 13 | 7 | 39 | 320.6 | 19.2 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 106 |
| 2025 | 10 | 4 | 35 | 301.5 | 19.3 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 84 |
| **2026 PROJ.** | **10** | **8** | **35** | **369.0** | **20.6** | **2** | **7** | **0** | **0** | **85** |

## 30

## NEW YORK JETS

**EFP: 84**

'25 PPG: 31st
'25 YPG: 25th
'25 vs. RUN: 25th
'25 vs. PASS: 17th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 17 | 10 | 48 | 292.3 | 20.9 | 3 | 7 | 3 | 0 | 147 |
| 2024 | 7 | 10 | 43 | 313.8 | 23.8 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 83 |
| 2025 | 0 | 4 | 26 | 355.6 | 29.6 | 0 | 11 | 1 | 3 | 60 |
| **2026 PROJ.** | **10** | **9** | **33** | **341.0** | **25.8** | **1** | **9** | **0** | **1** | **84** |

## 31

## ARIZONA CARDINALS

**EFP: 71**

'25 PPG: 29th
'25 YPG: 27th
'25 vs. RUN: 25th
'25 vs. PASS: 24th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 11 | 6 | 33 | 355.7 | 26.8 | 1 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 80 |
| 2024 | 9 | 8 | 41 | 342.5 | 22.3 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 113 |
| 2025 | 10 | 9 | 30 | 357.7 | 28.7 | 0 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 82 |
| **2026 PROJ.** | **8** | **7** | **32** | **378.0** | **26.2** | **1** | **9** | **0** | **0** | **71** |

## 32

## MIAMI DOLPHINS

**EFP: 68**

'25 PPG: 24th
'25 YPG: 22nd
'25 vs. RUN: 26th
'25 vs. PASS: 18th

| Year | Int. | Fum Rec. | Tot. Sacks | Tot. YPG | Pts. PPG | Allowed <=10 | by Game >25 | Def. TD | Spc. TD | Fan Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | 15 | 12 | 56 | 318.3 | 23.0 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 155 |
| 2024 | 10 | 6 | 35 | 314.4 | 21.4 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 88 |
| 2025 | 9 | 11 | 39 | 348.8 | 24.9 | 2 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 99 |
| **2026 PROJ.** | **7** | **7** | **33** | **379.0** | **25.9** | **1** | **11** | **0** | **0** | **68** |

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## STAFF TOP 12s

| | LUKE EASTERLING | CRAIG ELLENPORT | MARK ROSS | CORY BONINI | KYLE WOOD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Brandon Aubrey | Brandon Aubrey | Brandon Aubrey | Ka'imi Fairbairn | Brandon Aubrey |
| 2. | Cameron Dicker | Jake Bates | Ka'imi Fairbairn | Jason Myers | Ka'imi Fairbairn |
| 3. | Jason Myers | Cameron Dicker | Cameron Dicker | Brandon Aubrey | Jason Myers |
| 4. | Ka'imi Fairbairn | Ka'imi Fairbairn | Jason Myers | Cameron Dicker | Cameron Dicker |
| 5. | Eddy Piñeiro | Jason Myers | Will Reichard | Chase McLaughlin | Cam Little |
| 6. | Harrison Mevis | Cam Little | Jake Bates | Will Reichard | Chris Boswell |
| 7. | Cam Little | Harrison Mevis | Cam Little | Jake Bates | Eddy Piñeiro |
| 8. | Jake Bates | Tyler Bass | Tyler Bass | Jason Sanders | Will Reichard |
| 9. | Tyler Loop | Evan McPherson | Harrison Butker | Cam Little | Jake Bates |
| 10. | Chase McLaughlin | Tyler Loop | Wil Lutz | Tyler Bass | Chase McLaughlin |
| 11. | Evan McPherson | Will Reichard | Jason Sanders | Harrison Butker | Wil Lutz |
| 12. | Cairo Santos | Andy Borregales | Chris Boswell | Wil Lutz | Andy Borregales |

| | LUKE EASTERLING | CRAIG ELLENPORT | MARK ROSS | CORY BONINI | KYLE WOOD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Top Rookie | Trey Smack | Trey Smack | Trey Smack | Trey Smack | Trey Smack |
| Sleeper | Will Reichard | Spencer Shrader | Charlie Smyth | Charlie Smyth | Jake Bates |
| Deep Sleeper | Zane Gonzalez | Trey Smack | Evan McPherson | Jason Sanders | Harrison Mevis |
| Bounce-Back | Jake Elliott | Evan McPherson | Tyler Bass | Tyler Bass | Wil Lutz |
| Bust | Harrison Butker | Jake Elliott | Chase McLaughlin | Evan McPherson | Andy Borregales |
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**01**

## KA’IMI FAIRBAIRN

TEXANS

**EFP: 202**

HT: 6-0
WT: 183
AGE: 32

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | HOU | 12 | 27 | 28 | T-25TH | 20 | 2 | 5 | 54 | 21 | 102 | 114 |
| 2024 | HOU | 17 | 36 | 42 | T-3RD | 19 | 4 | 13 | 59 | 34 | 142 | 172 |
| 2025 | HOU | 15 | 44 | 48 | T-1ST | 19 | 16 | 9 | 57 | 28 | 160 | 194 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 44 | 48 | T-1ST | 24 | 11 | 9 | 56 | 41 | 173 | 202 |

**02**

## JASON MYERS

SEAHAWKS

**EFP: 202**

HT: 5-10
WT: 190
AGE: 35

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SEA | 17 | 35 | 42 | 1ST | 19 | 12 | 4 | 55 | 33 | 138 | 158 |
| 2024 | SEA | 17 | 26 | 30 | T-17TH | 10 | 7 | 9 | 59 | 37 | 115 | 140 |
| 2025 | SEA | 17 | 41 | 48 | T-1ST | 19 | 13 | 9 | 57 | 48 | 171 | 202 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 41 | 48 | T-1ST | 19 | 14 | 8 | 58 | 49 | 172 | 202 |

**03**

## BRANDON AUBREY

COWBOYS

**EFP: 193**

HT: 6-3
WT: 218
AGE: 31

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DAL | 17 | 36 | 38 | T-3RD | 22 | 4 | 10 | 60 | 49 | 157 | 182 |
| 2024 | DAL | 17 | 40 | 47 | 1ST | 12 | 14 | 14 | 65 | 30 | 150 | 194 |
| 2025 | DAL | 17 | 36 | 42 | 3RD | 15 | 10 | 11 | 64 | 47 | 155 | 190 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 37 | 42 | 3RD | 16 | 9 | 12 | 65 | 49 | 160 | 193 |

**04**

## CAMERON DICKER

CHARGERS

**EFP: 178**

HT: 6-1
WT: 216
AGE: 26

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LAC | 17 | 31 | 33 | T-13TH | 15 | 9 | 7 | 55 | 35 | 128 | 151 |
| 2024 | LAC | 17 | 39 | 42 | T-3RD | 19 | 11 | 9 | 59 | 33 | 150 | 179 |
| 2025 | LAC | 17 | 38 | 41 | 4TH | 21 | 12 | 5 | 59 | 34 | 148 | 170 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 37 | 41 | 4TH | 19 | 11 | 7 | 58 | 42 | 153 | 178 |

**05**

## CHASE McLAUGHLIN

BUCCANEERS

**EFP: 171**

HT: 6-0
WT: 190
AGE: 30

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | TB | 17 | 29 | 31 | T-17TH | 20 | 2 | 7 | 57 | 33 | 120 | 136 |
| 2024 | TB | 17 | 30 | 32 | T-14TH | 18 | 4 | 8 | 56 | 54 | 144 | 164 |
| 2025 | TB | 17 | 32 | 38 | T-5TH | 15 | 6 | 11 | 65 | 32 | 128 | 157 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 35 | 38 | 5TH | 20 | 6 | 9 | 59 | 42 | 147 | 171 |

**06**

## WILL REICHARD

VIKINGS

**EFP: 165**

HT: 6-1
WT: 190
AGE: 25

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | MIN | 13 | 24 | 30 | T-17TH | 11 | 5 | 8 | 58 | 38 | 110 | 131 |
| 2025 | MIN | 17 | 33 | 35 | T-8TH | 15 | 7 | 11 | 62 | 31 | 130 | 160 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 32 | 35 | T-8TH | 15 | 7 | 10 | 59 | 42 | 138 | 165 |

**07**

## JAKE BATES

LIONS

**EFP: 164**

HT: 5-10
WT: 202
AGE: 27

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | DET | 17 | 26 | 29 | T-21ST | 13 | 7 | 6 | 58 | 64 | 142 | 161 |
| 2025 | DET | 17 | 27 | 34 | T-10TH | 14 | 9 | 4 | 59 | 54 | 135 | 152 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 30 | 34 | T-1TTH | 15 | 10 | 5 | 58 | 54 | 144 | 164 |

**08**

## JASON SANDERS

GIANTS

**EFP: 156**

HT: 5-11
WT: 195
AGE: 30

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | MIA | 17 | 24 | 28 | T-25TH | 13 | 6 | 5 | 57 | 58 | 130 | 146 |
| 2024 | MIA | 17 | 37 | 41 | 5TH | 20 | 5 | 12 | 57 | 26 | 137 | 166 |
| 2025 | MIA | | | | DNP - INJURY | | | | | | | |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 30 | 35 | T-8TH | 17 | 5 | 8 | 56 | 45 | 135 | 156 |

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## CAM LITTLE

JAGUARS

**EFP: 156**

HT: 6-1
WT: 172
AGE: 23

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | JAC | 17 | 27 | 29 | T-21ST | 14 | 8 | 5 | 59 | 27 | 108 | 126 |
| 2025 | JAC | 17 | 30 | 34 | T-10TH | 14 | 8 | 8 | 68 | 50 | 140 | 166 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 30 | 34 | T-11TH | 15 | 8 | 7 | 66 | 44 | 134 | 156 |

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## TYLER BASS

BILLS

**EFP: 154**

HT: 5-10
WT: 183
AGE: 29

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BUF | 17 | 24 | 29 | T-23RD | 16 | 4 | 4 | 54 | 49 | 121 | 133 |
| 2024 | BUF | 17 | 24 | 29 | T-21ST | 13 | 7 | 4 | 61 | 59 | 131 | 147 |
| 2025 | BUF | | | | DNP - INJURY | | | | | | | |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 27 | 32 | T-16TH | 16 | 6 | 5 | 57 | 57 | 138 | 154 |

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## HARRISON BUTKER

CHIEFS

**EFP: 151**

HT: 6-4
WT: 205
AGE: 31

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | KC | 17 | 33 | 35 | 11TH | 21 | 7 | 5 | 60 | 38 | 137 | 155 |
| 2024 | KC | 13 | 21 | 25 | T-26TH | 15 | 4 | 2 | 53 | 29 | 92 | 100 |
| 2025 | KC | 17 | 33 | 38 | T-5TH | 19 | 9 | 5 | 59 | 31 | 130 | 149 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 31 | 37 | T-6TH | 20 | 7 | 4 | 56 | 43 | 136 | 151 |

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## WIL LUTZ

BRONCOS

**EFP: 151**

HT: 5-11
WT: 184
AGE: 32

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DEN | 17 | 30 | 34 | 12TH | 23 | 4 | 3 | 52 | 29 | 119 | 129 |
| 2024 | DEN | 17 | 31 | 34 | T-9TH | 15 | 11 | 5 | 55 | 46 | 139 | 160 |
| 2025 | DEN | 17 | 28 | 32 | T-14TH | 21 | 3 | 4 | 57 | 39 | 123 | 134 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 28 | 32 | T-16TH | 18 | 6 | 4 | 56 | 53 | 137 | 151 |

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## TYLER LOOP

RAVENS

**EFP: 150**

HT: 5-11
WT: 191
AGE: 25

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | BAL | 17 | 30 | 34 | T-10TH | 21 | 8 | 1 | 52 | 44 | 134 | 144 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 31 | 34 | T-11TH | 22 | 8 | 1 | 56 | 47 | 140 | 150 |

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## CHRIS BOSWELL

STEELERS

**EFP: 150**

HT: 6-2
WT: 185
AGE: 35

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | PIT | 17 | 29 | 31 | T-17TH | 16 | 7 | 6 | 57 | 27 | 114 | 133 |
| 2024 | PIT | 17 | 41 | 44 | 2ND | 21 | 7 | 13 | 57 | 35 | 158 | 191 |
| 2025 | PIT | 17 | 27 | 32 | T-14TH | 8 | 10 | 9 | 60 | 42 | 123 | 152 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 28 | 32 | T-16TH | 13 | 7 | 8 | 57 | 43 | 127 | 150 |

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## HARRISON MEVIS

RAMS

**EFP: 149**

HT: 6-0
WT: 245
AGE: 24

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | LAR | 9 | 12 | 13 | 35TH | 6 | 5 | 1 | 52 | 39 | 75 | 82 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 26 | 29 | T-24TH | 13 | 11 | 2 | 56 | 56 | 134 | 149 |

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## BLAKE GRUPE

COLTS

**EFP: 145**

HT: 5-7
WT: 156
AGE: 27

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NO | 17 | 30 | 37 | T-6TH | 16 | 8 | 6 | 55 | 40 | 130 | 150 |
| 2024 | NO | 17 | 27 | 31 | 16TH | 14 | 7 | 6 | 57 | 31 | 112 | 131 |
| 2025 | NO/IND | 16 | 29 | 37 | 7TH | 19 | 3 | 7 | 60 | 25 | 112 | 130 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 31 | 37 | T-6TH | 22 | 7 | 2 | 58 | 41 | 134 | 145 |

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## ANDY BORREGALES

PATRIOTS

**EFP: 141**

HT: 5-11
WT: 202
AGE: 23

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | NE | 17 | 27 | 32 | T-14TH | 16 | 7 | 4 | 59 | 53 | 134 | 149 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 27 | 32 | T-16TH | 16 | 7 | 4 | 57 | 45 | 126 | 141 |

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## CHARLIE SMYTH

SAINTS

**EFP: 137**

HT: 6-4
WT: 210
AGE: 25

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | NO | 6 | 12 | 16 | 31ST | 5 | 3 | 4 | 57 | 13 | 49 | 60 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | | 27 | 34 | T-11TH | 12 | 10 | 5 | 56 | 36 | 117 | 137 |

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## CAIRO SANTOS

BEARS

**EFP: 136**

HT: 5-8
WT: 173
AGE: 34

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CHI | 17 | 35 | 38 | T-3RD | 20 | 8 | 7 | 55 | 31 | 136 | 158 |
| 2024 | CHI | 17 | 21 | 25 | T-26TH | 8 | 5 | 8 | 54 | 25 | 88 | 109 |
| 2025 | CHI | 15 | 25 | 30 | T-17TH | 11 | 10 | 4 | 54 | 39 | 114 | 132 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 26 | 30 | T-20TH | 13 | 7 | 6 | 54 | 39 | 117 | 136 |

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## TREY SMACK

PACKERS

**EFP: 135**

HT: 6-1
WT: 188
AGE: 23

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 25 | 30 | 21 | 15 | 6 | 4 | 55 | 46 | 121 | 135 |

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## NICK FOLK

FALCONS

**EFP: 135**

HT: 6-1
WT: 225
AGE: 41

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | TEN | 17 | 29 | 30 | T-20TH | 18 | 6 | 5 | 53 | 28 | 115 | 131 |
| 2024 | TEN | 14 | 21 | 22 | T-28TH | 7 | 8 | 6 | 56 | 25 | 88 | 108 |
| 2025 | NYJ | 16 | 28 | 29 | T-19TH | 14 | 7 | 7 | 58 | 22 | 106 | 127 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 27 | 29 | T-24TH | 14 | 7 | 6 | 57 | 35 | 116 | 135 |

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## EDDY PIÑEIRO

49ERS

**EFP: 135**

HT: 5-11
WT: 190
AGE: 31

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CAR | 15 | 25 | 29 | T-23RD | 13 | 7 | 5 | 56 | 17 | 92 | 109 |
| 2024 | CAR | 17 | 22 | 26 | 25TH | 15 | 6 | 1 | 53 | 33 | 99 | 107 |
| 2025 | SF | 14 | 28 | 29 | T-19TH | 12 | 10 | 6 | 59 | 34 | 118 | 140 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 25 | 29 | T-24TH | 13 | 8 | 4 | 57 | 44 | 119 | 135 |

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## EVAN MCPHERSON

BENGALS

**EFP: 135**

HT: 5-11
WT: 185
AGE: 27

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CIN | 17 | 26 | 31 | T-17TH | 11 | 8 | 7 | 56 | 40 | 118 | 140 |
| 2024 | CIN | 12 | 16 | 22 | T-28TH | 10 | 3 | 3 | 56 | 37 | 85 | 94 |
| 2025 | CIN | 17 | 25 | 28 | 23RD | 10 | 10 | 5 | 63 | 41 | 116 | 137 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 24 | 28 | 29TH | 11 | 8 | 5 | 58 | 45 | 117 | 135 |

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## JOEY SLYE

TITANS

**EFP: 133**

HT: 5-11
WT: 213
AGE: 30

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | WAS | 17 | 19 | 24 | 29TH | 9 | 7 | 3 | 61 | 32 | 89 | 103 |
| 2024 | NE | 17 | 26 | 33 | 13TH | 15 | 5 | 6 | 63 | 25 | 103 | 121 |
| 2025 | TEN | 16 | 28 | 35 | T-8TH | 12 | 7 | 9 | 58 | 26 | 110 | 135 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 27 | 35 | T-8TH | 13 | 7 | 7 | 59 | 31 | 112 | 133 |

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## CHAD RYLAND

CARDINALS

**EFP: 129**

HT: 6-0
WT: 195
AGE: 26

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NE | 17 | 16 | 25 | T-27TH | 9 | 5 | 2 | 56 | 24 | 72 | 81 |
| 2024 | ARI | 13 | 28 | 32 | T-14TH | 17 | 7 | 4 | 58 | 26 | 110 | 125 |
| 2025 | ARI | 17 | 25 | 33 | 13TH | 12 | 7 | 6 | 57 | 36 | 111 | 130 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 26 | 33 | 15TH | 14 | 7 | 5 | 58 | 34 | 112 | 129 |

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## MATT GAY

RAIDERS

**EFP: 128**

HT: 6-0
WT: 232
AGE: 32

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | IND | 17 | 33 | 41 | 2ND | 18 | 7 | 8 | 57 | 35 | 134 | 157 |
| 2024 | IND | 16 | 31 | 37 | 7TH | 21 | 7 | 3 | 56 | 33 | 126 | 139 |
| 2025 | WAS/SF | 12 | 17 | 23 | T-27TH | 7 | 6 | 4 | 56 | 26 | 77 | 91 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 25 | 30 | T-20TH | 14 | 6 | 5 | 57 | 37 | 112 | 128 |

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## JAKE ELLIOTT

EAGLES

**EFP: 128**

HT: 5-9
WT: 167
AGE: 31

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | PHI | 17 | 30 | 32 | 16TH | 16 | 7 | 7 | 61 | 45 | 135 | 157 |
| 2024 | PHI | 17 | 28 | 36 | 8TH | 19 | 8 | 1 | 50 | 47 | 131 | 141 |
| 2025 | PHI | 17 | 20 | 27 | T-24TH | 9 | 7 | 4 | 58 | 41 | 101 | 116 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 23 | 27 | T-30TH | 13 | 6 | 4 | 56 | 45 | 114 | 128 |

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## RYAN FITZGERALD

PANTHERS

**EFP: 125**

HT: 5-11
WT: 193
AGE: 26

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | CAR | 17 | 24 | 29 | T-19TH | 14 | 8 | 2 | 57 | 27 | 99 | 111 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 25 | 29 | T-24TH | 15 | 8 | 2 | 56 | 38 | 113 | 125 |

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## ANDRE SZMYT

BROWNS

**EFP: 119**

HT: 6-0
WT: 200
AGE: 27

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | CLE | 17 | 24 | 27 | T-24TH | 14 | 5 | 5 | 55 | 25 | 97 | 112 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 24 | 27 | T-30TH | 14 | 5 | 5 | 55 | 32 | 104 | 119 |

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## RILEY PATTERSON

DOLPHINS

**EFP: 118**

HT: 6-0
WT: 190
AGE: 27

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DET/CLE | 15 | 16 | 18 | 32ND | 13 | 2 | 1 | 52 | 41 | 89 | 93 |
| 2024 | NYJ/CLE/ATL | 5 | 4 | 7 | T-39TH | 3 | 0 | 1 | 52 | 16 | 28 | 30 |
| 2025 | MIA | 17 | 27 | 29 | T-19TH | 13 | 11 | 3 | 54 | 34 | 115 | 132 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 25 | 29 | T-24TH | 15 | 7 | 3 | 55 | 30 | 105 | 118 |

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## CADE YORK

JETS

**EFP: 108**

HT: 6-1
WT: 198
AGE: 25

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | CIN/WAS | 6 | 9 | 13 | 36TH | 7 | 1 | 1 | 59 | 16 | 43 | 46 |
| 2025 | | | | | DNP | | | | | | | |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 23 | 30 | T-20TH | 17 | 3 | 3 | 55 | 30 | 99 | 108 |

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## JAKE MOODY

COMMANDERS

**EFP: 106**

HT: 6-1
WT: 210
AGE: 26

| Year | Team | GP | FGM | FGA | FGA Rank | 0-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | Long | PAT | Pts | Fan Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SF | 17 | 21 | 25 | T-27TH | 15 | 4 | 2 | 57 | 60 | 123 | 131 |
| 2024 | SF | 14 | 24 | 34 | T-9TH | 14 | 6 | 4 | 53 | 32 | 104 | 118 |
| 2025 | SF/CHI/WAS | 9 | 19 | 23 | T-27TH | 12 | 5 | 2 | 56 | 15 | 72 | 81 |
| 2026 PROJ. | | 17 | 19 | 23 | 32ND | 13 | 4 | 2 | 55 | 41 | 98 | 106 |

ROQUAN SMITH

JEFFREY BECKER-IMAGN IMAGES

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## STAFF TOP 12s

| LUKE EASTERLING | CRAIG ELLENPORT | MARK ROSS | CORY BONINI | KYLE WOOD |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Fred Warner | 1. Roquan Smith | 1. Jack Campbell | 1. Jack Campbell | 1. Zaire Franklin |
| 2. Zaire Franklin | 2. Zaire Franklin | 2. Jordyn Brooks | 2. Carson Schwesinger | 2. Zack Baun |
| 3. Roquan Smith | 3. Fred Warner | 3. Carson Schwesinger | 3. Jordyn Brooks | 3. Fred Warner |
| 4. Foyesade Oluokun | 4. Zach Baun | 4. Fred Warner | 4. Cedric Gray | 4. Roquan Smith |
| 5. Jordyn Brooks | 5. Foyesade Oluokun | 5. Myles Garrett | 5. Roquan Smith | 5. Foyesade Oluokun |
| 6. Zach Baun | 6. Aidan Hutchinson | 6. Aidan Hutchinson | 6. T.J. Watt | 6. Aidan Hutchinson |
| 7. Myles Garrett | 7. Maxx Crosby | 7. Will Anderson Jr. | 7. Nick Bolton | 7. Myles Garrett |
| 8. Ernest Jones IV | 8. Myles Garrett | 8. T.J. Watt | 8. Zaire Franklin | 8. Ernest Jones IV |
| 9. Aidan Hutchinson | 9. T.J. Edwards | 9. Nick Emmanwori | 9. Demetrius Knight Jr. | 9. Jordyn Brooks |
| 10. Daiyan Henley | 10. Ernest Jones IV | 10. Kyle Hamilton | 10. Fred Warner | 10. Will Anderson Jr. |
| 11. T.J. Edwards | 11. Brian Branch | 11. Maxx Crosby | 11. Nick Emmanwori | 11. Maxx Crosby |
| 12. Jamien Sherwood | 12. Alex Singleton | 12. Demetrius Knight Jr. | 12. Will Anderson Jr. | 12. T.J. Edwards |

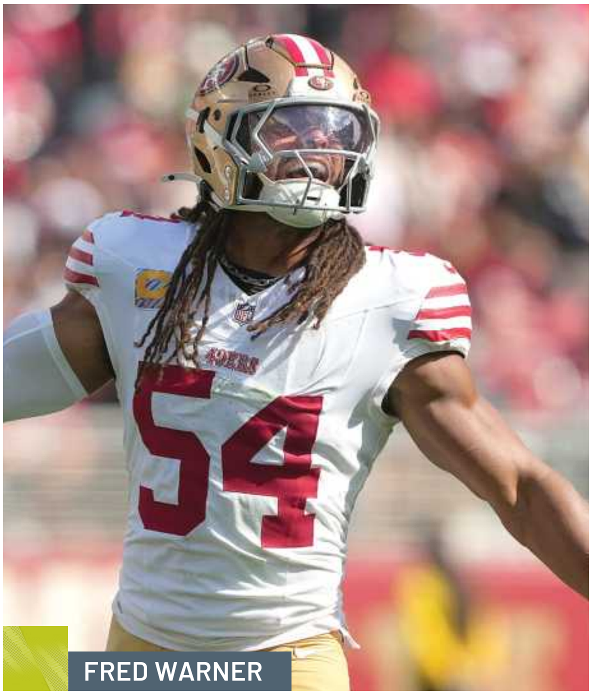
| | LUKE EASTERLING | CRAIG ELLENPORT | MARK ROSS | CORY BONINI | KYLE WOOD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Top Rookie | Sonny Styles | Sonny Styles | Sonny Styles | Sonny Styles | Sonny Styles |
| Sleeper | Jihaad Campbell | Caleb Downs | Payton Wilson | Anthony Hill Jr. | Nick Cross |
| Deep Sleeper | Payton Wilson | Kaden Elliss | Jared Verse | Jonah Laulu | Gregory Rousseau |
| Bounce-Back | Fred Warner | Trey Hendrickson | Fred Warner | Fred Warner | Quincy Williams |
| Bust | Nick Bosa | Micah Parsons | Roquan Smith | Geno Stone | Daiyan Henley |
| Injury Risk | Nick Bosa | Maxx Crosby | Antoine Winfield Jr. | Quay Walker | Nick Bosa |

# 2026 RANKINGS

| | | DEFENSIVE LINEMEN | Team | Bye |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ | 1 | T.J. Watt | PIT | 9 |
| ☐ | 2 | Will Anderson Jr. | HOU | 8 |
| ☐ | 3 | Brian Burns | NYG | 8 |
| ☐ | 4 | Aidan Hutchinson | DET | 6 |
| ☐ | 5 | Myles Garrett | CLE | 11 |
| ☐ | 6 | Maxx Crosby | LV | 13 |
| ☐ | 7 | Jeffery Simmons | TEN | 9 |
| ☐ | 8 | Derrick Brown | CAR | 5 |
| ☐ | 9 | Jordan Davis | PHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 10 | Laiatu Latu | IND | 13 |
| ☐ | 11 | Montez Sweat | CHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 12 | Jalen Redmond | MIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 13 | Micah Parsons | GB | 11 |
| ☐ | 14 | Leonard Williams | SEA | 11 |
| ☐ | 15 | Cameron Heyward | PIT | 9 |
| ☐ | 16 | Josh Hines-Allen | JAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 17 | Travon Walker | JAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 18 | Danielle Hunter | HOU | 8 |
| ☐ | 19 | Kobie Turner | LAR | 11 |
| ☐ | 20 | Nick Bosa | SF | 8 |
| ☐ | 21 | Myles Murphy | CIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 22 | Jer'Zhan Newton | WAS | 7 |
| ☐ | 23 | Mason Graham | CLE | 11 |
| ☐ | 24 | DeForest Buckner | IND | 13 |
| ☐ | 25 | Quinnen Williams | DAL | 14 |
| ☐ | 26 | Zach Sieler | MIA | 6 |
| ☐ | 27 | DeMarcus Lawrence | SEA | 11 |
| ☐ | 28 | Byron Murphy II | SEA | 11 |
| ☐ | 29 | Jalon Walker | ATL | 11 |
| ☐ | 30 | Zach Allen | DEN | 10 |
| ☐ | 31 | Jonathan Allen | CIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 32 | George Karlaftis | KC | 5 |
| ☐ | 33 | Jalen Carter | PHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 34 | Grover Stewart | IND | 13 |
| ☐ | 35 | Da'Ron Payne | WAS | 7 |
| ☐ | 36 | Dexter Lawrence II | CIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 37 | A'Shawn Robinson | TB | 10 |
| ☐ | 38 | Travis Jones | BAL | 13 |
| ☐ | 39 | Jonah Laulu | LV | 13 |
| ☐ | 40 | Keeanu Benton | PIT | 9 |
| ☐ | 41 | Gervon Dexter Sr. | CHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 42 | Josh Sweat | ARI | 14 |
| ☐ | 43 | Joseph Ossai | NYJ | 13 |
| ☐ | 44 | Alex Wright | CLE | 11 |
| ☐ | 45 | Chris Jones | KC | 5 |

| | | LINEBACKERS/EDGE | Team | Bye |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ | 1 | Jack Campbell | DET | 6 |
| ☐ | 2 | Carson Schwesinger | CLE | 11 |
| ☐ | 3 | Jordyn Brooks | MIA | 6 |
| ☐ | 4 | Cedric Gray | TEN | 9 |
| ☐ | 5 | Roquan Smith | BAL | 13 |
| ☐ | 6 | Nick Bolton | KC | 5 |
| ☐ | 7 | Zaire Franklin | GB | 11 |
| ☐ | 8 | Demetrius Knight Jr. | CIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 9 | Fred Warner | SF | 8 |
| ☐ | 10 | Zack Baun | PHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 11 | Foyesade Oluokun | JAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 12 | Jamien Sherwood | NYJ | 13 |
| ☐ | 13 | T.J. Edwards | CHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 14 | Payton Wilson | PIT | 9 |
| ☐ | 15 | Jihaad Campbell | PHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 16 | Kaden Elliss | NO | 8 |
| ☐ | 17 | Edgerrin Cooper | GB | 11 |
| ☐ | 18 | Daiyan Henley | LAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 19 | Sonny Styles (R) | WAS | 7 |
| ☐ | 20 | Robert Spillane | NE | 11 |
| ☐ | 21 | Tyrel Dodson | MIA | 6 |
| ☐ | 22 | CJ Allen (R) | IND | 13 |
| ☐ | 23 | Patrick Queen | PIT | 9 |
| ☐ | 24 | Ernest Jones IV | SEA | 11 |
| ☐ | 25 | Quay Walker | LV | 13 |
| ☐ | 26 | Alex Anzalone | TB | 10 |
| ☐ | 27 | Alex Singleton | DEN | 10 |
| ☐ | 28 | Nate Landman | LAR | 11 |
| ☐ | 29 | Blake Cashman | MIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 30 | Barrett Carter | CIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 31 | Tremaine Edmunds | NYG | 8 |
| ☐ | 32 | Demario Davis | NYJ | 13 |
| ☐ | 33 | Devin Lloyd | CAR | 5 |
| ☐ | 34 | Nakobe Dean | LV | 13 |
| ☐ | 35 | Pete Werner | NO | 8 |
| ☐ | 36 | Eric Wilson | MIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 37 | Azeez Al-Shaair | HOU | 8 |
| ☐ | 38 | Drue Tranquill | KC | 5 |
| ☐ | 39 | Dee Winters | DAL | 14 |
| ☐ | 40 | Devin Bush | CHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 41 | Quincy Williams | CLE | 11 |
| ☐ | 42 | Anthony Hill Jr. | TEN | 9 |
| ☐ | 43 | Nik Bonitto | DEN | 10 |
| ☐ | 44 | Drake Thomas | SEA | 11 |
| ☐ | 45 | Leo Chenal | WAS | 7 |

T.J. WATT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| | | DEFENSIVE BACKS | Team | Bye |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ | 1 | Nick Emmanwori | SEA | 11 |
| ☐ | 2 | Cooper DeJean | PHI | 10 |
| ☐ | 3 | Jessie Bates III | ATL | 11 |
| ☐ | 4 | Kyle Hamilton | BAL | 13 |
| ☐ | 5 | Budda Baker | ARI | 14 |
| ☐ | 6 | Nick Cross | WAS | 7 |
| ☐ | 7 | Antoine Winfield Jr. | TB | 10 |
| ☐ | 8 | Mike Sainristil | WAS | 7 |
| ☐ | 9 | Chamarri Conner | KC | 5 |
| ☐ | 10 | Xavier McKinney | GB | 11 |
| ☐ | 11 | Derwin James Jr. | LAC | 7 |
| ☐ | 12 | Tykee Smith | TB | 10 |
| ☐ | 13 | Talanoa Hufanga | DEN | 10 |
| ☐ | 14 | Devon Witherspoon | SEA | 11 |
| ☐ | 15 | Kam Curl | LAR | 11 |
| ☐ | 16 | Kamari Lassiter | HOU | 8 |
| ☐ | 17 | Jordan Battle | CIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 18 | Jeremy Chinn | LV | 13 |
| ☐ | 19 | Joshua Metellus | MIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 20 | Riley Moss | DEN | 10 |
| ☐ | 21 | Jaquan Brisker | PIT | 9 |
| ☐ | 22 | Ronnie Hickman | CLE | 11 |
| ☐ | 23 | Dax Hill | CIN | 6 |
| ☐ | 24 | Tyson Campbell | CLE | 11 |
| ☐ | 25 | Tre'von Moehrig | CAR | 5 |
| ☐ | 26 | Xavier Watts | ATL | 11 |
| ☐ | 27 | Alontae Taylor | TEN | 9 |
| ☐ | 28 | Cam Bynum | IND | 13 |
| ☐ | 29 | Caleb Downs (R) | DAL | 14 |
| ☐ | 30 | Kevin Byard III | NE | 11 |
| ☐ | 31 | DeShon Elliott | PIT | 9 |
| ☐ | 32 | Keisean Nixon | GB | 11 |
| ☐ | 33 | Jalen Pitre | HOU | 8 |
| ☐ | 34 | Geno Stone | BUF | 7 |
| ☐ | 35 | Kool-Aid McKinstry | NO | 8 |
| ☐ | 36 | Jalen Thompson | DAL | 14 |
| ☐ | 37 | Jacob Parrish | TB | 10 |
| ☐ | 38 | Grant Delpit | CLE | 11 |
| ☐ | 39 | Minkah Fitzpatrick | NYJ | 13 |
| ☐ | 40 | Evan Williams | GB | 11 |
| ☐ | 41 | Brandon Jones | DEN | 10 |
| ☐ | 42 | Isaiah Pola-Mao | LV | 13 |
| ☐ | 43 | Michael Jackson | CAR | 5 |
| ☐ | 44 | Cole Bishop | BUF | 7 |
| ☐ | 45 | Paulson Adebo | NYG | 8 |

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## DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

T.J. WATT

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### 01 T.J. WATT

STEELERS

**BYE WEEK: 9**
HT: 6-4
WT: 252
AGE: 31

For fantasy purposes, most leagues allow you to play Watt as a defensive lineman because he frequently lines up off the edge with a hand in the dirt. In this format, he's easily the top dog, but if you can only use him as a 'backer, his value drops precipitously. In 2025, Watt finished DL13 in a down year, playing 14 games and posting only 7.0 sacks along with 55 total stops. He contributes across the stat sheet, and little should change with his role despite the new coaching staff.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | PIT | 17 | 48 | 20 | 68 | 19.0 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 8 | 1 |
| 2024 | PIT | 17 | 40 | 21 | 61 | 11.5 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 0 |
| 2025 | PIT | 14 | 23 | 32 | 55 | 7.0 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 0 |

### 02 WILL ANDERSON JR.

TEXANS

**BYE WEEK: 8**
HT: 6-4
WT: 243
AGE: 25

Anderson belongs in the high-end DL1 tier because his role is secure, and the supporting cast still works in his favor. Houston boasts a legitimate pass-rusher on the other side with Danielle Hunter, so offenses cannot constantly slide protection Anderson's way. The tackle floor has risen high enough that he is no longer just a sack-chasing edge, and we've seen consistent growth across the board. This projection is banking on another step in his maturation.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | HOU | 15 | 29 | 16 | 45 | 7.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 2024 | HOU | 14 | 27 | 10 | 37 | 11.0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| 2025 | HOU | 17 | 35 | 19 | 54 | 12.0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 1 |

### 03 BRIAN BURNS

GIANTS

**BYE WEEK: 8**
HT: 6-5
WT: 250
AGE: 28

Burns' primary role is to attack the opposing quarterback, and that's generally about it. He recorded a career-high 16.5 sacks in 17 games last year, making 67 total tackles. Only Myles Garrett posted more sacks and fantasy points for linemen. The Giants typically play him at outside linebacker, and he's much more valuable as a DL in fantasy formats with accommodating rules. The new John Harbaugh coaching staff will employ a 3-4 alignment, so don't expect many changes.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CAR | 16 | 32 | 18 | 50 | 8.0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| 2024 | NYG | 17 | 42 | 29 | 71 | 8.5 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 0 |
| 2025 | NYG | 17 | 39 | 28 | 67 | 16.5 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 0 |

### 04 AIDAN HUCHINSON

LIONS

**BYE WEEK: 6**
HT: 6-7
WT: 268
AGE: 26

A broken leg ended Hutchinson's 2024 early, but he answered the durability question by returning in 2025 and reestablishing himself. Kelvin Sheppard returns as defensive coordinator, and Hutchinson gets a full offseason of on-field work to further refine his game. The former Michigan star wins with power, bend and a relentless motor. The Lions also retooled their edge depth, which should help keep him fresh and alleviate some attention.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DET | 17 | 36 | 15 | 51 | 11.5 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 0 |
| 2024 | DET | 5 | 12 | 7 | 19 | 7.5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2025 | DET | 17 | 36 | 18 | 54 | 14.5 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 |

### 05 MYLES GARRETT

BROWNS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-4
WT: 272
AGE: 30

Few IDPs carry Garrett's weekly ceiling and raw sack upside. A year after setting the all-time single-season record with 23 sacks, he'll have a new defensive coordinator in Mike Rutenberg, a Robert Saleh protege. The "all gas, no brakes" mantra projects well for the no-nonsense Garrett, and the Browns have enough help around him to expect another high-floor, game-wrecking effort. Mason Graham inside adds more interior push that can turn pressures into clean sack chances.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CLE | 16 | 33 | 9 | 42 | 14.0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| 2024 | CLE | 17 | 40 | 7 | 47 | 14.0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 2025 | CLE | 17 | 43 | 17 | 60 | 23.0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

### 06 MAXX CROSBY

RAIDERS

**BYE WEEK: 13**
HT: 6-5
WT: 256
AGE: 29

A failed trade attempt to Baltimore in the offseason resulted in Crosby's return to Sin City after a failed physical. The knee injury introduces risk, and durability already was a concern. Plus, Crosby's exact position isn't completely clear yet in his eighth year with the franchise. Rob Leonard takes over as the new DC and will run a 3-4 base, but Crosby is expected to remain more of an edge rather than dropping into coverage. Expect plenty of 4-3 and 4-2-5 looks for him, too.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LV | 17 | 55 | 35 | 90 | 14.5 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| 2024 | LV | 13 | 28 | 17 | 45 | 7.5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| 2025 | LV | 15 | 45 | 28 | 73 | 10.0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 0 |

WILL ANDERSON JR.

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### 07

### JEFFERY SIMMONS
TITANS

**BYE WEEK: 9**
HT: 6-4
WT: 305
AGE: 29

Simmons gives you a sturdier tackle floor than most interior linemen, and Tennessee's front still runs through his ability to reset the line of scrimmage and collapse the pocket. A head-coaching switch to the defensive-minded Robert Saleh only helps 2025's fourth-leading defensive lineman in TFLs (17). Simmons' value mostly comes from being an every-down tone-setter whose balanced tackle-sack profile fits multiple scoring formats. He still has enough left in the tank for another dominant showing.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | TEN | 12 | 30 | 14 | 44 | 5.5 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 2024 | TEN | 16 | 41 | 35 | 76 | 5.0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 0 |
| 2025 | TEN | 15 | 39 | 28 | 67 | 11.0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 |

### 08

### DERRICK BROWN
PANTHERS

**BYE WEEK: 5**
HT: 6-5
WT: 320
AGE: 28

Brown's appeal starts with the floor. After a knee injury wrecked his 2024, he returned in 2025 and reminded everyone how valuable a dominant interior player can be in tackle-heavy formats. Carolina also added more talent around the front seven, and the defensive system remains in place for continuity. Brown, 28, is coming off a career-high five sacks and 73 total tackles, which makes him one of the more well-rounded options. His value gets a small bump in leagues where edge linebackers cannot qualify for defensive line slots.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CAR | 17 | 57 | 46 | 103 | 2.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| 2024 | CAR | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2025 | CAR | 17 | 33 | 40 | 73 | 5.0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 0 |

### 09

### JORDAN DAVIS
EAGLES

**BYE WEEK: 10**
HT: 6-6
WT: 336
AGE: 26

Davis has always had the size and raw power to ruin an opposing backfield, but his game went to the next level in 2025, when he tallied career bests in sacks (4.5), solo stops (34) and assists (38), while logging nine TFLs. He hasn't missed a game in three years, and with the Eagles reshaping the linebacker room behind him, Davis' job up front becomes even more important. He is not as safe as the proven edge rushers, and the behemoth's fantasy value takes a hit in leagues where edge LBs qualify for a lineman spot.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | PHI | 17 | 18 | 27 | 45 | 2.5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 2024 | PHI | 17 | 15 | 12 | 27 | 1.0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| 2025 | PHI | 17 | 34 | 38 | 72 | 4.5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 |

### 10

### LAIATU LATU
COLTS

**BYE WEEK: 13**
HT: 6-5
WT: 265
AGE: 25

UCLA's Latu profiles as one of the better breakout bets because the pass-rush skill set was NFL-ready the day he entered the league. He tied for 19th in tackles for a loss as a second-year player on a 68% snap rate. Indianapolis still has enough interior talent to create cleaner rush lanes, especially if DeForest Buckner gets back to full strength. Latu is not a reliable tackle compiler, so the floor will always be lower than the volume monsters, but the pass-rushing polish supports a climb into every-week DL2 territory.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | IND | 17 | 16 | 16 | 32 | 4.0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 2025 | IND | 16 | 27 | 18 | 45 | 8.5 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 |

### 11

### MONTEZ SWEAT
BEARS

**BYE WEEK: 10**
HT: 6-6
WT: 270
AGE: 30

Chicago leans on Sweat as its primary edge threat, and that keeps the sack ceiling alive, yet the weekly floor can feel rickety when the quarterback hits do not convert. The only names ahead of him in the TFL tally last year are exactly the D-linemen you'd expect, putting him in the upper echelon. While the talent is obvious, he's easier to trust when the matchup projects for more passing volume.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | WAS/CHI | 17 | 38 | 19 | 57 | 12.5 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| 2024 | CHI | 16 | 18 | 14 | 32 | 5.5 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| 2025 | CHI | 17 | 36 | 17 | 53 | 10.0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 0 |

### 12

### JALEN REDMOND
VIKINGS

**BYE WEEK: 6**
HT: 6-3
WT: 305
AGE: 27

A late bloomer at 26, Redmond managed useful fantasy stretches as an active, disruptive lineman in 2025. He broke out with 62 total stops, a half-dozen sacks, five passes defended, a takeaway and a pair of fumble recoveries. The tackle numbers should be solid enough to keep him in play, especially if the snap share holds, but this ranking still banks on risky upside. He is a DL2 in most settings.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | MIN | 13 | 10 | 8 | 18 | 1.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| 2025 | MIN | 17 | 33 | 29 | 62 | 6.0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 0 |

### 13

### MICAH PARSONS
PACKERS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-3
WT: 250
AGE: 27

The Cowboys traded the disgruntled star to Green Bay last year, and Parsons ended up tearing an ACL in Week 15, which means there's a good chance he'll miss a few games to start the season. The Packers will allow Parsons to play in two- and three-point stances in a hybrid scheme under new DC Jonathan Gannon. Watch Parsons' status throughout the late summer.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DAL | 17 | 36 | 28 | 64 | 14.0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| 2024 | DAL | 13 | 30 | 13 | 43 | 12.0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 2025 | GB | 14 | 19 | 22 | 41 | 12.5 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

### 14

### LEONARD WILLIAMS
SEAHAWKS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-5
WT: 310
AGE: 32

Williams remains one of the steadier veteran options because he still brings enough interior push while also helping in the tackle column. Seattle's front will continue to rely on him over the course of the season. This being his age-32 season makes it hard to project another big sack season, but the continuity, role and suspect depth behind him support useful IDP volume.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NYG/SEA | 18 | 37 | 25 | 62 | 5.5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| 2024 | SEA | 16 | 37 | 27 | 64 | 11.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| 2025 | SEA | 17 | 33 | 29 | 62 | 7.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

## DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

CAMERON HEYWARD

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### 15

### CAMERON HEYWARD

STEELERS

**BYE WEEK: 9**
HT: 6-5
WT: 295
AGE: 37

Heyward keeps defying the clock, but fantasy managers still need to price in some of that risk. The good news is that Pittsburgh can preserve his efficiency and keep the snap load more manageable. However, age-related volatility can appear quickly with interior linemen, and he logged 823 plays in 2025. Even entering his late 30s, Heyward still fits as a DL2, despite a projected decrease in snaps from last year's 71% rate. You'll be able to get him at a considerable value in relation to this ceiling ranking.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | PIT | 11 | 25 | 8 | 33 | 2.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 2024 | PIT | 17 | 35 | 36 | 71 | 8.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 |
| 2025 | PIT | 17 | 38 | 40 | 78 | 3.5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 0 |

### 16

### JOSH HINES-ALLEN

JAGUARS

**BYE WEEK: 7**
HT: 6-5
WT: 255
AGE: 28

Hines-Allen still deserves every-week consideration, but the upside has been muted the past couple of years. Jacksonville pairing him with another quality edge in Travon Walker keeps blockers honest, but it would be nice to see JHA get to the quarterback more than his 16 total sacks in his past 33 games. His tackle numbers are modest for an edge rusher, and his 12 tackles for a loss a year ago tied for 19th. With 46 pressures but only 8.0 sacks, the pressure profile remains strong enough to keep him in the upper DL2 mix.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | JAC | 17 | 43 | 23 | 66 | 17.5 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 2024 | JAC | 16 | 26 | 19 | 45 | 8.0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| 2025 | JAC | 17 | 28 | 21 | 49 | 8.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |

### 17

### TRAVON WALKER

JAGUARS

**BYE WEEK: 7**
HT: 6-5
WT: 272
AGE: 25

Josh Hines-Allen's partner in crime, Walker has moved from traits-based draft bet to legitimate fantasy option, and the biggest reason is that his role now produces consistent involvement against both the run and pass. He may even come at a discount after missing time in 2025 with wrist and knee injuries. With all the tools you'd like to see, even a projected career year still lands him in the high-upside DL2 category rather than a set-and-forget DL because of the capped tackle ceiling.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | JAC | 17 | 27 | 25 | 52 | 10.0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| 2024 | JAC | 17 | 31 | 30 | 61 | 10.5 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 2025 | JAC | 14 | 19 | 19 | 38 | 3.5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |

### 18

### DANIELLE HUNTER

TEXANS

**BYE WEEK: 8**
HT: 6-5
WT: 263
AGE: 31

Hunter may not carry the same dynasty appeal he once did, but the redraft case is still easy to make, even in his age-32 season. With 34 pressures and 15 tackles for a loss, Hunter helps Will Anderson Jr. just as much as Hunter helps Anderson because offenses cannot treat either side as the obvious place to send extra help. Hunter still projects as a quality DL2 with strong sack-week upside, but there's just not the same elite tackle output we saw just a few seasons ago from him. Bump Hunter up a notch in sack-heavy formats.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | MIN | 17 | 54 | 29 | 83 | 16.5 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| 2024 | HOU | 17 | 31 | 15 | 46 | 12.0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| 2025 | HOU | 17 | 28 | 26 | 54 | 15.0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 0 |

### 19

### KOBIE TURNER

RAMS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-2
WT: 294
AGE: 27

Turner can outproduce his positional label because the pass-rush skill is legitimate, and the blend between sacks and tackle output keeps his value stable. He has at least seven sacks in each of his three NFL seasons, registering a respectable 20 pressures and nine TFLs in 2025. The Rams have built enough around him that he should see cleaner one-on-one opportunities inside.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LAR | 17 | 29 | 28 | 57 | 9.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| 2024 | LAR | 17 | 35 | 27 | 62 | 8.0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| 2025 | LAR | 17 | 24 | 24 | 48 | 7.0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 |

### 20

### NICK BOSA

49ERS

**BYE WEEK: 8**
HT: 6-4
WT: 266
AGE: 28

San Francisco enters another transition year on defense, so things could take a minute to come together. However, Bosa's concern is on the injury front, as he recovers from a torn ACL three games into a hot start to the 2025 season. Very few players can wreck protection plans like he does when healthy. Bosa has missed time in consecutive seasons, which muddies his projection.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SF | 17 | 34 | 19 | 53 | 10.5 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| 2024 | SF | 14 | 33 | 19 | 52 | 9.0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 2025 | SF | 3 | 9 | 8 | 17 | 2.0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |

### 21

### MYLES MURPHY

BENGALS

**BYE WEEK: 6**
HT: 6-5
WT: 275
AGE: 24

The Bengals clearly need more pass-rush life after letting Trey Hendrickson walk in free agency. As a result, the arrival of veteran interior linemen Dexter Lawrence II and Jonathan Allen should help by creating more interior stress, which can turn Murphy's pressure into actual finishes. He is not a polished weekly starter yet, so managers should not confuse projection with proof.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CIN | 17 | 10 | 10 | 20 | 3.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | CIN | 13 | 11 | 9 | 20 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 2025 | CIN | 17 | 28 | 24 | 52 | 5.5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 |

### 22

### JER'ZHAN NEWTON

COMMANDERS

**BYE WEEK: 7**
HT: 6-2
WT: 295
AGE: 24

A second-round pick in 2024, Newton has yet to make his mark, and this projection is admittedly optimistic. The Commanders cut back Newton's snap count in 2025 to just 38% from 51% as a rookie, and this will be a busted projection if he can't get back up to closer to half of the play count. Still, in 432 snaps, he posted 5.0 sacks and 11 pressures. Newton has the raw talent to threaten DL2 territory, so it all comes down to staying healthy.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | WAS | 16 | 19 | 25 | 44 | 2.0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 2025 | WAS | 17 | 21 | 17 | 38 | 5.0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

MASON GRAHAM

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## 23

### MASON GRAHAM

BROWNS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-4
WT: 315
AGE: 23

Graham plays at a spot where fantasy numbers are usually underwhelming, but having Myles Garrett alongside him is the X-factor here. Entering Year 2, this Michigan man boasts impressive power and now has some seasoning to get over the hump. He wasn't bad as a rook last year, but 49 total tackles and only half a sack won't cut it in fantasy. Graham must get to the QB more and increase his production closer to the 60-stop projection, or we're looking at a wasted pick. He'll be on the board much later than this ranking suggests.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | CLE | 17 | 28 | 21 | 49 | 0.5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 |

## 24

### DEFOREST BUCKNER

COLTS

**BYE WEEK: 13**
HT: 6-7
WT: 295
AGE: 32

Buckner is coming off a herniated disc in his neck and appears on track to play; this projection is operating under the assumption that he won't miss time. Consider this the high end of his fantasy range. He's a risky DL2 whose past dominance is feeling like a distant memory despite being only two seasons removed from a career year. Monitor his late-summer progress before investing.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | IND | 17 | 45 | 36 | 81 | 8.0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 1 |
| 2024 | IND | 12 | 24 | 37 | 61 | 6.5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 2025 | IND | 10 | 30 | 17 | 47 | 4.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

## 25

### QUINNEN WILLIAMS

COWBOYS

**BYE WEEK: 14**
HT: 6-3
WT: 303
AGE: 28

Williams' per-game stats took a small jump with his move to Dallas last yseason, but he remains a far cry from his dominant 2022 self. Nevertheless, his floor remains useful, and the defense was majorly upgraded around him. The ceiling is still reasonably high for a big man who turns 29 in December, but there's not a lot of wiggle room here in fantasy. He'll be a rotational option most weeks.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NYJ | 17 | 39 | 23 | 62 | 5.5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| 2024 | NYJ | 16 | 25 | 12 | 37 | 6.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2025 | NYJ/DAL | 15 | 26 | 27 | 53 | 2.5 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

## 26

### ZACH SIELER

DOLPHINS

**BYE WEEK: 6**
HT: 6-6
WT: 300
AGE: 31

Sieler is coming off his worst fantasy season since 2020, and the fact that he's entering his age-31 season might make this ranking slightly optimistic. He's a pretty reliable run defender who gets to the quarterback more than most interior big men. Sieler logged 10 sacks in both 2023 and '24 before regressing to 5.5 last year, which would have been a career best prior to those campaigns. Miami is a hot mess in Jeff Hafley's first year as head coach, but he knows defense, and Sieler could be a sneaky rebound target.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | MIA | 17 | 32 | 31 | 63 | 10.0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| 2024 | MIA | 15 | 28 | 27 | 55 | 10.0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| 2025 | MIA | 17 | 29 | 18 | 47 | 5.5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |

## 27

### DEMARCUS LAWRENCE

SEAHAWKS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-3
WT: 254
AGE: 34

Lawrence is a case of real-football value outpacing fantasy appeal, but he is coming off a renaissance year. He still defends the run well and brings enough edge presence with 6.0 sacks, but at this stage of his career, Lawrence is more useful as a matchup-based DL3 or bench piece. Even this perhaps slightly optimistic projection still won't reflect his diminished draft stock, so don't reach.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DAL | 17 | 29 | 21 | 50 | 4.0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| 2024 | DAL | 4 | 7 | 7 | 14 | 3.0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2025 | SEA | 16 | 24 | 29 | 53 | 6.0 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 2 |

## 28

### BYRON MURPHY II

SEAHAWKS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-0
WT: 306
AGE: 24

Interior defenders who can push the pocket without sacrificing tackle involvement are always worth watching. Murphy posted 7.0 sacks and 21 pressures a year ago, up from 0.5 sacks in 2024. That kind of leap from his rookie to second season is quite encouraging. Murphy has veterans DeMarcus Lawrence and Leonard Williams alongside him for learning the trade as well as forcing blockers to choose wisely.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | SEA | 14 | 12 | 24 | 36 | 0.5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2025 | SEA | 17 | 22 | 40 | 62 | 7.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

## 29

### JALON WALKER

FALCONS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-2
WT: 245
AGE: 22

Atlanta spent two first-round picks in 2025 on upgrading its pass rush, and Walker flashed plenty of potential with 5.5 sacks. He mustered only 13 pressures but played just 44.6% of the snaps. Walker is a true hybrid player, and defensive coordinator Jeff Ulbrich will line him up all over, which is why he's included here rather than as a true linebacker. Without the dual-positional eligibility, however, he's largely avoidable as a fantasy option due to a low-involvement tackle profile.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | ATL | 15 | 24 | 12 | 36 | 5.5 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 |

## 30

### ZACH ALLEN

BRONCOS

**BYE WEEK: 10**
HT: 6-4
WT: 281
AGE: 29

Allen usually lands in the boring-but-helpful tier, and that is not a bad place to live. Denver trusts him for a heavy workload, and his value comes from doing a little of everything. He is especially useful in balanced scoring because the tackle floor is respectable for Allen's position, and he can get to the quarterback with at least 5.0 sacks in three straight seasons.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DEN | 17 | 27 | 33 | 60 | 5.0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 2024 | DEN | 16 | 32 | 29 | 61 | 8.5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 2025 | DEN | 17 | 14 | 24 | 38 | 7.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 |

## LINEBACKERS

JACK CAMPBELL

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### 01 JACK CAMPBELL

LIONS

**BYE WEEK: 6**
HT: 6-5
WT: 246
AGE: 26

Campbell is an every-down, tackle-heavy 'backer. We saw him go from rookie respectability to closing in on a breakout to last year's monster LB1 overall effort, earning PFF's No. 1 linebacker grade. The Iowa product generated 89 solo and 87 assisted stops, racking up 5.0 sacks, four PBUs, three forced fumbles and a pair of recoveries. Even though that level of success is probably a smidge out of reach, something just shy of that is about as bankable as it gets in his second year under DC Kelvin Sheppard.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DET | 17 | 52 | 43 | 95 | 2.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 2024 | DET | 17 | 69 | 62 | 131 | 1.5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| 2025 | DET | 17 | 89 | 87 | 176 | 5.0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 0 |

### 02 CARSON SCHWESINGER

BROWNS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-3
WT: 242
AGE: 23

Schwesinger broke out in his rookie season, which included late-season leg injuries that landed him on IR entering Week 18. He still finished with 156 total tackles, 2.5 sacks and a pair of interceptions. There's no reason to believe he won't be ready for Week 1, and another monster effort is in store. Playing behind a front led by Myles Garrett should continue to create tackle chances. The Browns will employ an aggressive defensive scheme under Robert Saleh disciple Mike Rutenberg, and the 2025 Defensive Rookie of the Year is a fine choice to anchor this side of your IDP lineup.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | CLE | 16 | 67 | 89 | 156 | 2.5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |

### 03 JORDYN BROOKS

DOLPHINS

**BYE WEEK: 6**
HT: 6-0
WT: 240
AGE: 28

Brooks, who turns 29 in October, remains one of the safest bets in fantasy IDP circles, despite all the changes in Miami. He has recorded at least 86 solo tackles and more than 57 assisted stops in four of the past five years. While he's poised to take a step back after a career year, the floor-to-ceiling ratio is fantastic, and the former Seattle Seahawk even offers a little in the pass-rushing department. Toss in the plus chance of a takeaway or two, and we're looking at a surefire LB1, barring injury.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SEA | 16 | 62 | 49 | 111 | 4.5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| 2024 | MIA | 17 | 86 | 57 | 143 | 3.0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 0 |
| 2025 | MIA | 17 | 99 | 84 | 183 | 3.5 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 |

### 04 CEDRIC GRAY

TITANS

**BYE WEEK: 9**
HT: 6-2
WT: 234
AGE: 23

Gray had a breakout season, good enough for PFF's LB2 among run-stuffers. Another strong performance is easier to buy after Tennessee's defensive shift because the system should keep the second level active. The value of playing behind Jeffery Simmons is tough to overstate, and a Robert Saleh-led scheme ought to give him cleaner reads and more chances to finish downhill. He is not a finished product, and his coverage skills aren't an asset. But the role is attractive, and the ridiculous tackle production is what drives his value.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | TEN | 7 | 6 | 8 | 14 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2025 | TEN | 16 | 97 | 67 | 164 | 1.0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 |

### 05 ROQUAN SMITH

RAVENS

**BYE WEEK: 13**
HT: 6-1
WT: 235
AGE: 29

The savvy veteran no longer posts monster numbers and has regressed in three straight campaigns, but he remains plenty useful for fantasy purposes. In 15 appearances during 2025, Smith piled up 130 tackles with a fumble-return touchdown. The Ravens shift to a new regime for the first time in forever, and defensive-minded head coach Jesse Minter hired Anthony Weaver as DC. Barring an unforeseen role change, the weekly volatility is low, and there is still enough splash-play upside to separate him from pure tackle machines.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BAL | 16 | 84 | 74 | 158 | 1.5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 0 |
| 2024 | BAL | 16 | 81 | 73 | 154 | 1.5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| 2025 | BAL | 15 | 76 | 54 | 130 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 |

### 06 NICK BOLTON

CHIEFS

**BYE WEEK: 5**
HT: 5-11
WT: 237
AGE: 26

Bolton remains one of the strongest volume bets at linebacker as Kansas City leaves him in the middle of everything. The veteran 'backer finished 2025 with 154 tackles, 10 tackles for a loss, six pass breakups and an interception, while PFF graded him 10th among linebackers (78.9) and No. 1 from Week 9 on (91.1). He is not a true playmaking outlier in coverage, but DC Steve Spagnuolo trusts him, and the snap security is reliable. With at least 70 solo stops in each of his four healthy seasons, Bolton fits as a sturdy LB1 with more floor than fireworks.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | KC | 8 | 38 | 22 | 60 | 0.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| 2024 | KC | 16 | 73 | 33 | 106 | 3.0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 0 |
| 2025 | KC | 17 | 73 | 81 | 154 | 1.0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 0 |

CARSON SCHWESINGER

JEFF LANGE

## 07

## ZAIRE FRANKLIN

PACKERS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-0
WT: 235
AGE: 30

Franklin's move to Green Bay changes the setting for the first time in his career. Jonathan Gannon, his new defensive coordinator, was the DBs coach in Indy for Franklin's first three years, so there's at least a degree of familiarity. Franklin has made a living on impressive range and tackling volume that travels well. He's adequate in coverage, too. The Packers want him as a primary interior presence with Edgerrin Cooper. Still, entering his age-30 season, after years of huge tackle production in Indianapolis, there is little reason to doubt a high floor (LB2) and solid LB1 ceiling.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | IND | 16 | 107 | 72 | 179 | 1.5 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| 2024 | IND | 17 | 93 | 80 | 173 | 3.5 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| 2025 | IND | 17 | 62 | 63 | 125 | 2.0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 |

## 08

## DEMETRIUS KNIGHT JR.

BENGALS

**BYE WEEK: 6**
HT: 6-2
WT: 240
AGE: 26

Knight earned an aggressive projection after his strong rookie season. He enters behind a front that should be much stronger after the additions of Dexter Lawrence II and Jonathan Allen up front. That can turn quick processing into more tackle opportunities. A 2025 second-rounder out of South Carolina, the rangy Knight does a little bit of everything for fantasy purposes, and his utility translates well to multiple types of scoring formats. The major concern is whether he can become more consistent. If that's the case, there's massive upside in this pick.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | CIN | 17 | 58 | 48 | 106 | 3.0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 0 |

## 09

## FRED WARNER

49ERS

**BYE WEEK: 8**
HT: 6-3
WT: 230
AGE: 29

Warner still belongs in the front-end LB1 mix after a broken and dislocated ankle ended his 2025 campaign in October. All signs point to the elite 'backer being at full strength for Week 1. When healthy, he routinely provides tackles, pass breakups and forced fumbles, along with the coverage chops to stay involved all over the field. San Francisco has moved to Raheem Morris as the new defensive coordinator, but that's just noise for someone of Warner's pedigree. Short of a setback, Warner is an elite fantasy option, and this projection might even be on the light side of his range.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SF | 17 | 82 | 50 | 132 | 2.5 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 11 | 0 |
| 2024 | SF | 17 | 76 | 55 | 131 | 1.0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 7 | 1 |
| 2025 | SF | 6 | 28 | 23 | 51 | 0.0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 |

## 10

## ZACK BAUN

EAGLES

**BYE WEEK: 10**
HT: 6-3
WT: 225
AGE: 29

Baun, PFF's No. 1 coverage 'backer, answered the biggest question last season by proving that the breakout was not just a blip. Philadelphia lost Nakobe Dean inside and Jaelan Phillips on the edge, though the trade for Jonathan Greenard will be a fine replacement for pressure situations. Having so much beef and talent up front helps Baun roam with less clutter and concern. The only caution is that splash production tends to swing from year to year. Even with that baked in, Baun fits as a tail-end LB1 or strong LB2.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NO | 17 | 20 | 10 | 30 | 2.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| 2024 | PHI | 16 | 93 | 58 | 151 | 3.5 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| 2025 | PHI | 16 | 64 | 59 | 123 | 3.5 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 0 |

## 11

## FOYESADE OLUOKUN

JAGUARS

**BYE WEEK: 7**
HT: 6-2
WT: 230
AGE: 31

Jacksonville asks Oluokun to clean up everything in sight, and he responded in 2025 with 143 tackles, 11 passes defended, an interception, two forced fumbles and a recovery. For his career, that's a down season. He bounced back well enough from missing four games in 2024, and that's why he stays relevant year after year. As long as Oluokun is healthy as a 31-year-old, the weekly floor is strong.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | JAC | 17 | 111 | 62 | 173 | 2.5 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 1 |
| 2024 | JAC | 14 | 60 | 48 | 108 | 1.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 |
| 2025 | JAC | 17 | 69 | 74 | 143 | 1.0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 11 | 0 |

## 12

## JAMIEN SHERWOOD

JETS

**BYE WEEK: 13**
HT: 6-2
WT: 216
AGE: 26

Few defenses have changed as radically year over year as the Jets, but Sherwood remains one of two holdovers among the front seven. He proved that the 2024 breakout was real, and the Jets backed that up by extending him in '25. The staff may tweak his responsibilities, with the base front utilizing more 3-4, but it is hard to imagine this drastically hurting Sherwood's fantasy production.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NYJ | 17 | 28 | 18 | 46 | 0.0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 2024 | NYJ | 17 | 98 | 60 | 158 | 2.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| 2025 | NYJ | 17 | 71 | 83 | 154 | 2.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 |

## 13

## T.J. EDWARDS

BEARS

**BYE WEEK: 10**
HT: 6-0
WT: 228
AGE: 30

Edwards' 2025 season was shortened to 11 games as injuries galore overshadowed three prior years of not missing time. He suffered a lingering hamstring injury and a fractured hand, and then he broke a fibula in the postseason. He's expected to be back to normal for Week 1, and gamers have to treat this projection as a best-case outlook. You'll likely get him at a discount.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CHI | 17 | 91 | 64 | 155 | 2.5 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 0 |
| 2024 | CHI | 17 | 79 | 50 | 129 | 4.0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 |
| 2025 | CHI | 11 | 33 | 34 | 67 | 0.5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 1 |

## 14

## PAYTON WILSON

STEELERS

**BYE WEEK: 9**
HT: 6-4
WT: 242
AGE: 26

Wilson is an upside bet with more volatility than the ranking suggests. His 4.43-second 40 speed jumps off the screen, and Pittsburgh has reason to expand his role. However, we've seen him do it for only one year, and a new coaching staff is in place, so consider this projection the rose-colored outlook of his likely outcome range. Even though 36% of his 2025 fantasy production came in only three games, draft him as an upside LB2.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | PIT | 17 | 49 | 29 | 78 | 0.0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| 2025 | PIT | 17 | 74 | 52 | 126 | 2.0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |

# LINEBACKERS

JIHAAD CAMPBELL

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## 15

### JIHAAD CAMPBELL

EAGLES

**BYE WEEK: 10**
HT: 6-3
WT: 235
AGE: 22

Campbell's upside is evident, and he doesn't have Nakobe Dean to worry about in Year 2. A 2025 first-rounder, Campbell has the athletic tools to ascend quickly after an excellent rookie display with 80 total stops, an interception, a fumble recovery and a forced fumble. Before Dean returned, Campbell ranked LB No. 6 by PFF. This type of versatility creates an every-down role. Campbell has the pedigree from his time at Alabama, and Philly's proven system and supporting cast make the 22-year-old a prime breakout target.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | PHI | 17 | 44 | 36 | 80 | 0.0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 |

## 16

### KADEN ELLISS

SAINTS

**BYE WEEK: 8**
HT: 6-2
WT: 240
AGE: 31

While he turns 31 before Week 1, Elliss remains useful in his return to the Saints after three years in Atlanta. He can score in more than one way. The tackle totals have been respectable, but the real draw is the versatility. Elliss contributes pass-rush utility and has improved his coverage offerings in the last couple of years. His upside is as a midrange LB2 after Demario Davis left for the Jets. In multifaceted scoring, Elliss deserves a bump. In tackle-heavy setups, his value takes a significant hit, and he's a much safer No. 3 target.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | ATL | 17 | 82 | 40 | 122 | 4.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| 2024 | ATL | 17 | 85 | 66 | 151 | 5.0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| 2025 | ATL | 17 | 59 | 48 | 107 | 3.5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 0 |

## 17

### EDGERRIN COOPER

PACKERS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-2
WT: 229
AGE: 24

Cooper is one of the most appealing young linebackers for a breakout campaign. His speed and downhill burst are obvious. Green Bay's decision to add Zaire Franklin cuts both ways by adding competition for elite tackle totals while also giving the young pro a proven veteran to learn from. Cooper can absolutely produce LB2 numbers, especially if the solo tackles climb. He offers production across the statistical board, and he enters new DC Jonathan Gannon's system, which has generated a few standout linebackers in recent years.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | GB | 14 | 57 | 30 | 87 | 3.5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| 2025 | GB | 16 | 63 | 55 | 118 | 0.5 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 0 |

## 18

### DAIYAN HENLEY

CHARGERS

**BYE WEEK: 7**
HT: 6-0
WT: 225
AGE: 26

Henley's coverage ability means he'll avoid sub-package absences, though his tackle production and per-game fantasy offerings took a dip in 2025. The Bolts lost defensive coordinator Jesse Minter and turned to Chris O'Leary as a first-time NFL DC in what will be his second stint with the Chargers. Henley's all-around role can bail him out, especially if he's sluggish in run support in any given week. He belongs in the LB2 conversation thanks to a broad skill set to fit any format, and the floor is sturdy after a pair of respectable seasons to open his career.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LAC | 15 | 7 | 4 | 11 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | LAC | 17 | 84 | 63 | 147 | 1.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 |
| 2025 | LAC | 16 | 54 | 49 | 103 | 3.5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 |

## 19

### SONNY STYLES

COMMANDERS

**BYE WEEK: 7**
HT: 6-5
WT: 243
AGE: 21

Washington invested the No. 7 overall pick in April's draft on Styles, and his natural transition to the pros makes him an upside target in fantasy. The Commanders can use the rangy rookie in multiple schemes and situations to take advantage of his 6-foot-5 size and athleticism. The Ohio State star is not just a tackling machine but also has pass-rushing prowess and will stay on the field in coverage as a former safety. Teams in dire need of playmakers don't invest top-10 picks on interior linebackers without fully intending to utilize them.

## 20

### ROBERT SPILLANE

PATRIOTS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-1
WT: 229
AGE: 30

Spillane is not flashy but does enough of everything to get the job done and is always around the ball. The ankle/foot issue from late last year cost him the final four regular-season games, though he returned for the playoff run. On the year, Spillane finished with 48 solos, 49 assists, a sack, five pass breakups, a pair of picks and one forced fumble, so there's basically nothing you won't get from him.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LV | 17 | 82 | 66 | 148 | 3.5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| 2024 | LV | 17 | 91 | 67 | 158 | 2.0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 |
| 2025 | NE | 13 | 48 | 49 | 97 | 1.0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 |

## 21

### TYREL DODSON

DOLPHINS

**BYE WEEK: 6**
HT: 6-0
WT: 237
AGE: 28

We've seen four straight years of growth from Dodson, regardless of the team or system, and he contributes something in all facets. He returns to the Dolphins to pair with standout Jordyn Brooks, which may limit some of Dodson's tackle output but also shields him and promotes cleanup work as seen by career highs last season in solos (72) and assists (57). He is a quality bet for LB2 production even with a small statistical regression.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BUF | 17 | 57 | 17 | 74 | 2.5 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| 2024 | SEA/MIA | 17 | 59 | 48 | 107 | 2.0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| 2025 | MIA | 16 | 72 | 57 | 129 | 5.0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 |

## 22

### CJ ALLEN

COLTS

**BYE WEEK: 13**
HT: 6-0
WT: 230
AGE: 21

Allen enters the league with a chance to matter faster than many rookie linebackers. After seeing leading tackler Zaire Franklin exit town, Indianapolis needed a run-stuffing man at the second level. Playing behind a solid front should help, since he ought to find cleaner tackle lanes than some rookies do. The learning curve is still a concern, though, but chasing production from your fringe LB2/LB3 spot isn't the worst risk to assume when the player has his profile: heady with a nose for the ball in traffic.

PATRICK QUEEN

BARRY REEGER-IMAGN IMAGES

## 23

## PATRICK QUEEN

STEELERS

**BYE WEEK: 9**
HT: 6-0
WT: 230
AGE: 27

Queen's weekly results can swing in a frustrating way. Pittsburgh still gives him enough opportunity to stay in the LB2 conversation, and the athleticism always leaves room for an occasional explosive line. The issue is consistency, which makes it tough to lock him in as a set-and-forget starter. With at least 120 stops in four consecutive years, Queen still gets the job done vs. the run but hasn't mattered much in pass-rushing or through the air as a Steeler. New DC Patrick Graham could change that if he uses the vet like Robert Spillane in Vegas.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BAL | 17 | 84 | 49 | 133 | 3.5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 0 |
| 2024 | PIT | 17 | 65 | 64 | 129 | 1.0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 0 |
| 2025 | PIT | 17 | 56 | 64 | 120 | 1.0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 |

## 24

## ERNEST JONES IV

SEAHAWKS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-2
WT: 233
AGE: 26

Jones plays a role that creates tackles, and he lives around the ball. Whether exemplified by his outrageous five picks last season or 114-plus stops in four straight seasons, Jones' reliable volume still wins plenty of weeks. Seattle returns most of its key defensive pieces, and he plays behind a veteran front, so getting his arms around a ball-carrier is Jones' bread and butter. His 2023 season with the Rams even showed off a little pass-rushing talent we haven't witnessed otherwise, but it's in there if called upon!

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LAR | 15 | 74 | 71 | 145 | 4.5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| 2024 | TEN/SEA | 16 | 77 | 61 | 138 | 0.5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| 2025 | SEA | 15 | 60 | 66 | 126 | 0.5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 1 |

## 25

## QUAY WALKER

RAIDERS

**BYE WEEK: 13**
HT: 6-4
WT: 241
AGE: 26

The former Packer heads to the desert for his first season with the Raiders and brings a consistent profile but also a notable injury history. Walker has missed time in three straight seasons. He doesn't offer much in coverage but has dropped quarterbacks exactly 2.5 times in three consecutive campaigns. Vegas hit the reset button after the one-year Pete Carroll flop and has revamped the defense from the ground up. Walker returns to a 3-4 base after two years away, which should help the transition.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | GB | 14 | 59 | 59 | 118 | 2.5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| 2024 | GB | 13 | 72 | 30 | 102 | 2.5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| 2025 | GB | 14 | 58 | 70 | 128 | 2.5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 |

## 26

## ALEX ANZALONE

BUCCANEERS

**BYE WEEK: 10**
HT: 6-3
WT: 234
AGE: 31

Anzalone moving to Tampa Bay gives him a shot to stay relevant a little longer, but age (32 in September) and durability cloud the evaluation. Head coach Todd Bowles has always liked active linebackers, and Lavonte David's retirement will clear Anzalone to lead the middle of this group. Rookie Josiah Trotter could steal some tackle opportunities, but the veteran still has coverage skills to pick up the slack. Don't expect Anzalone to replicate his best days in Detroit (2022 and '23), but that doesn't mean he can't be useful depth.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DET | 16 | 85 | 44 | 129 | 3.0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 0 |
| 2024 | DET | 10 | 43 | 20 | 63 | 1.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| 2025 | DET | 16 | 52 | 43 | 95 | 2.5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 |

## 27

## ALEX SINGLETON

BRONCOS

**BYE WEEK: 10**
HT: 6-2
WT: 240
AGE: 32

Singleton bounced back well enough from a torn ACL in 2024 only to play through a midseason cancer diagnosis that eventually required surgery. The selling point has always been tackle volume. He is not a coverage guy at this stage of his career, so we're looking at mostly a one-dimensional contributor. If he can approach 120-plus tackles in 2026, he'll live up to this LB3 placement.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DEN | 17 | 106 | 71 | 177 | 2.0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 |
| 2024 | DEN | 3 | 17 | 14 | 31 | 0.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 2025 | DEN | 16 | 54 | 81 | 135 | 1.0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 |

## 28

## NATE LANDMAN

RAMS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-3
WT: 234
AGE: 27

Landman landing with the Rams in 2025 resulted in a career year in which he racked up 64 solo stops, 68 assisted tackles, 2.5 sacks, six passes defended, an INT, four forced fumbles and a pair of recoveries for an all-around effort. Little around him changes to suggest he's poised for a big regression, and even the forced fumbles tally isn't out of the norm for Landman.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | ATL | 16 | 66 | 44 | 110 | 2.0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| 2024 | ATL | 13 | 39 | 42 | 81 | 0.0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 2025 | LAR | 17 | 64 | 68 | 132 | 2.5 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 0 |

## 29

## BLAKE CASHMAN

VIKINGS

**BYE WEEK: 6**
HT: 6-1
WT: 235
AGE: 30

After four years of obscurity, Cashman emerged with Houston in 2023. Minnesota has shown trust in him over the past two years, but durability has been the biggest drag on his value, and it has to be baked into the fantasy equation. If he stays available, the role supports modest production with some stronger performances mixed in. In leagues that skew more toward rewarding tackles, he's a third 'backer target all day long.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | HOU | 14 | 56 | 50 | 106 | 2.0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0 |
| 2024 | MIN | 14 | 68 | 44 | 112 | 4.5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 0 |
| 2025 | MIN | 13 | 61 | 83 | 144 | 2.0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 |

## 30

## BARRETT CARTER

BENGALS

**BYE WEEK: 6**
HT: 6-0
WT: 231
AGE: 23

The ceiling is fairly low with Demetrius Knight Jr. likely to lower Carter's maximum tackle potential, but the pair of 2025 draft picks will work in harmony to give Cincy one of the better young LB duos. As a rookie, Carter managed 53 solos and 53 assisted tackles. He picked off one ball and defended four passes, but pass-rushing isn't much of an offering to expect. You can do worse as a No. 3 flier, especially in tackle-heavy formats.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | CIN | 17 | 53 | 53 | 106 | 0.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 |

## DEFENSIVE BACKS

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### 01 NICK EMMANWORI

SEAHAWKS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-3
WT: 220
AGE: 22

Emmanwori checking in as DB1 overall is a gamble, sure, but there's much to like about his profile. First of all, he was tracking for a top-10 IDP finish in 2025. He graded slot defender No. 8 by PFF, and the 22-year-old enters his second season without the typical adjustments that rookies face. Emmanwori brings size, speed and versatility to the defensive backfield, enabling Seattle to move him around and creatively utilize the South Carolina product around the line of scrimmage. While this is a lofty leap in expectations, he's a prime candidate for a legitimate breakthrough.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | SEA | 14 | 56 | 25 | 81 | 2.5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 |

### 02 COOPER DEJEAN

EAGLES

**BYE WEEK: 10**
HT: 6-0
WT: 198
AGE: 23

The combination of more playing time and the game slowing for DeJean saw him take a massive step forward in 2025, registering 93 total stops, 16 PBUs, two picks and a forced fumble in 16 appearances. DeJean racks up tackles but upped his coverage game to offer a little something across the board, rating as the top qualified slot defender when targeted (65.2) by PFF. He'll be a leader in the Eagles' secondary, and while this is an aggressive ranking, he's a rock-solid bet for a top-five DB finish in Year 3.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | PHI | 16 | 38 | 13 | 51 | 0.5 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 0 |
| 2025 | PHI | 16 | 64 | 29 | 93 | 0.0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 16 | 0 |

### 03 JESSIE BATES III

FALCONS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-1
WT: 210
AGE: 29

One of the most reliable veteran defensive backs is in his age-29 season. While his stats have declined after 2023's career effort, Bates still has the floor-to-ceiling ratio of a top-end option. He's tallied at least 90 total tackles in all but one of his eight pro seasons, and his range in coverage is what tips the scales, as Bates has picked off three or more balls in four straight years. The veteran has proven immune to coaching changes, which won't matter as new head coach Kevin Stefanski retained Jeff Ulbrich to run this defense.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | ATL | 17 | 89 | 43 | 132 | 0.0 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 11 | 1 |
| 2024 | ATL | 17 | 62 | 40 | 102 | 1.0 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 10 | 1 |
| 2025 | ATL | 17 | 57 | 41 | 98 | 0.0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 1 |

### 04 KYLE HAMILTON

RAVENS

**BYE WEEK: 13**
HT: 6-4
WT: 218
AGE: 25

This ranking is banking on a rebound performance from Hamilton, who slipped a tad in 2025 as Baltimore changed his assignments. He still managed to finish among the top 30 defensive backs in most formats and was graded 85.9 by PFF (No. 2 DB). The Ravens have a new, defensive-minded coaching staff, and on talent and role alone, the former Golden Domer is poised to rebound. Fantasy managers in leagues with even scoring distribution should consider Hamilton more appealing than formats that reward too much for big plays.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | BAL | 15 | 63 | 18 | 81 | 3.0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 13 | 1 |
| 2024 | BAL | 17 | 77 | 30 | 107 | 2.0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 0 |
| 2025 | BAL | 16 | 59 | 46 | 105 | 1.0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 0 |

### 05 BUDDA BAKER

CARDINALS

**BYE WEEK: 14**
HT: 5-10
WT: 195
AGE: 30

Arizona made a coaching change in the offseason but retained defensive coordinator Nick Rallis for his fourth season at the helm. A bit of erratic play in recent years makes Baker a risky option in this spot. We've seen everything from a 12-game campaign in 2023 to a breakout in '24 and then a significant regression a year ago. We've seen Baker's fantasy returns ebb and flow several times during his prolific career, and he still has enough in the tank for another rebound, especially without Jalen Thompson to steal action.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | ARI | 12 | 58 | 29 | 87 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | ARI | 17 | 95 | 69 | 164 | 2.0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| 2025 | ARI | 16 | 57 | 63 | 120 | 0.5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0 |

### 06 NICK CROSS

COMMANDERS

**BYE WEEK: 7**
HT: 6-0
WT: 212
AGE: 25

The sample size is small — only two seasons of fantasy-relevant production — and he comes over from Indianapolis, which adds another layer of risk to factor in. To his credit, the 2022 third-rounder delivers fantasy returns in all meaningful categories, especially being a tackle-heavy thumper around the line. He can get after the quarterback (2.5 sacks in 2025), and head coach Dan Quinn isn't afraid to send safeties to hunt down enemy QBs. Entering his age-25 season, Cross is poised to rebound closer to his breakout 2024.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | IND | 17 | 24 | 15 | 39 | 0.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| 2024 | IND | 17 | 87 | 59 | 146 | 1.0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| 2025 | IND | 17 | 72 | 48 | 120 | 2.5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 |

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## 07

### ANTOINE WINFIELD JR.

BUCCANEERS

**BYE WEEK: 10**
HT: 5-9
WT: 203
AGE: 28

Admittedly, this projection includes a leap of faith that the proven veteran will return to form after what was his worst full fantasy season. Winfield averaged the fewest fantasy points of his career after returning from an injury-shortened 2024 and still finished as a top-30 DB in most scoring formats. He's healthy entering his age-28 season, and Winfield offers enough across the board in fantasy to offset shaky tackling numbers. He has the history to justify earning the benefit of the doubt, but consistency must improve.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | TB | 17 | 76 | 46 | 122 | 6.0 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 12 | 0 |
| 2024 | TB | 9 | 34 | 26 | 60 | 2.0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| 2025 | TB | 17 | 53 | 40 | 93 | 1.0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 0 |

## 08

### MIKE SAINRISTIL

COMMANDERS

**BYE WEEK: 7**
HT: 5-10
WT: 183
AGE: 25

Arguably, Sainristil could be several spots higher in the rankings, and there's no argument here if you value him in that light. The addition of Nick Cross will carve into his tackling numbers, which already took a hit last year. Washington changed defensive coordinators after last year's dismissal of Joe Whitt Jr., turning to Daronte Jones, a Brian Flores disciple. In addition, the front seven looks radically different in this new 3-4 base, so more ball-carriers could make it to the second and third levels.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | WAS | 17 | 62 | 31 | 93 | 0.0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 14 | 0 |
| 2025 | WAS | 17 | 51 | 34 | 85 | 0.0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 0 |

## 09

### CHAMARRI CONNER

CHIEFS

**BYE WEEK: 5**
HT: 6-0
WT: 202
AGE: 26

Conner is coming off his finest pro season in three tries, logging 75 solos, 42 assists, 2.0 sacks, a pair of pass breakups, a pick and two forced fumbles — quality, all-purpose utility. A rising fantasy star, Conner is poised for a small regression given all of the changes this defense has undergone in the offseason. Even if the returns are quite similar, there's an outsized risk in finding out solely based on Conner's 2025 success. KC has three new starters in the secondary, so cohesion could be an early-season issue.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | KC | 17 | 31 | 5 | 36 | 0.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 2024 | KC | 15 | 58 | 19 | 77 | 1.0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| 2025 | KC | 17 | 75 | 42 | 117 | 2.0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 |

## 10

### XAVIER McKINNEY

PACKERS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-0
WT: 201
AGE: 28

Green Bay hired Jonathan Gannon to replace Jeff Hafley as defensive coordinator, and safety has been one of the fantasy strengths of Gannon's past units. Big plays are the name of McKinney's game, as evidenced by his eight picks in 2024. He followed that effort with only two a year ago, highlighting just how volatile that style of play can be for fantasy purposes. To his credit, even with a substantial drop-off in 2025, McKinney managed to increase his assisted tackles by 25 in one fewer game while maintaining his PBU floor.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NYG | 17 | 78 | 38 | 116 | 0.5 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 11 | 0 |
| 2024 | GB | 17 | 60 | 28 | 88 | 1.0 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 11 | 0 |
| 2025 | GB | 16 | 54 | 53 | 107 | 1.0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 0 |

## 11

### DERWIN JAMES JR.

CHARGERS

**BYE WEEK: 7**
HT: 6-2
WT: 215
AGE: 30

A swap at defensive coordinator from Jesse Minter to Chris O'Leary, who coached James' positional group in 2024, bodes well for continuity. The star safety produced a career-high 5.5 sacks that season and finished with 93 total stops, two takeaways and seven passes defended. The 2018 first-round pick is among the most consistently dynamic fantasy options when on the field.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LAC | 16 | 86 | 39 | 125 | 2.0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 7 | 0 |
| 2024 | LAC | 16 | 60 | 33 | 93 | 5.5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 0 |
| 2025 | LAC | 16 | 50 | 44 | 94 | 2.0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 0 |

## 12

### TYKEE SMITH

BUCCANEERS

**BYE WEEK: 10**
HT: 5-10
WT: 202
AGE: 25

The 2024 third-rounder saw action in 13 games as a rookie, but everything started to come together as a sophomore. Smith finished with 100 total stops, a pair of sacks, 13 PBUs, a pick and two fumble recoveries in 16 outings, once again demonstrating his versatility. The Georgia product is an ascending talent who warrants a borderline DB1 selection in fantasy, and he's an excellent profile fit for what head coach Todd Bowles expects out of a DB.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | TB | 13 | 37 | 16 | 53 | 0.0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 0 |
| 2025 | TB | 16 | 61 | 39 | 100 | 2.0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 13 | 0 |

## 13

### TALANOA HUFANGA

BRONCOS

**BYE WEEK: 10**
HT: 6-0
WT: 200
AGE: 26

After breaking out as a 49er in 2022, Hufanga played only 17 games over the following two seasons due to injury and made his way to Denver in 2025 free agency. Finally healthy, the USC product picked up where he left off by setting a personal best in tackles (106) and PBUs (11). While one would like to see more out of him in the takeaway department, you take what he offers.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SF | 10 | 39 | 13 | 52 | 0.0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| 2024 | SF | 7 | 20 | 18 | 38 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2025 | DEN | 17 | 67 | 39 | 106 | 2.0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 11 | 0 |

## 14

### DEVON WITHERSPOON

SEAHAWKS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-0
WT: 185
AGE: 25

The standout corner played only 12 games in 2025, missing time with a knee injury, but he's ready to roll. While his raw fantasy production has waned in consecutive years following his breakthrough rookie showing, last year's per-game showing rebounded a smidge. Some of this is because quarterbacks avoid him in coverage. In 2026, he has an opportunity to rebound via tackling contributions.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | SEA | 14 | 56 | 23 | 79 | 3.0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 16 | 1 |
| 2024 | SEA | 17 | 66 | 32 | 98 | 1.0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 0 |
| 2025 | SEA | 12 | 48 | 24 | 72 | 0.5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 0 |

## DEFENSIVE BACKS

KAM CURL

### 15
### KAM CURL
RAMS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-2
WT: 207
AGE: 27

L.A. re-signed Curl in free agency after he authored a career year in 2025, registering 79 solos, 43 assists, 2.0 sacks, five PBUs, a pair of picks and a forced fumble. In 2026, he'll reunite with Kamren Kinchens at safety but see a pair of new starting cornerbacks in front of him after the Rams added Trent McDuffie and Jaylen Watson from the Chiefs. Curl has been pretty durable in his career, and he's been more diversified in his offerings of late, so there's still plenty to like even if the stats take a small step backward.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | WAS | 16 | 74 | 41 | 115 | 1.0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 0 |
| 2024 | LAR | 16 | 49 | 30 | 79 | 1.0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 1 |
| 2025 | LAR | 17 | 79 | 43 | 122 | 2.0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 |

### 16
### KAMARI LASSITER
TEXANS

**BYE WEEK: 8**
HT: 6-0
WT: 180
AGE: 23

After a respectable rookie effort, Lassiter's 2025 encore produced a top-10 fantasy result on the strength of 62 individual tackles, 29 assisted stops and a hearty 17 passes defended. Houston added safety Reed Blankenship to partner with him, and the rest of the starting group returns intact. Lassiter has picked off seven total passes in his first 30 NFL games, which gives a little extra juice for those who play in leagues that boost takeaways and depress tackles. He's in prime position to build on last year's breakout.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | HOU | 14 | 42 | 16 | 58 | 0.0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| 2025 | HOU | 16 | 62 | 29 | 91 | 0.0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 0 |

### 17
### JORDAN BATTLE
BENGALS

**BYE WEEK: 6**
HT: 6-1
WT: 215
AGE: 25

The top-scoring defensive back in most fantasy systems last year, Battle did nearly all his damage with an absurd tackle total (125) and four picks — double his prior two seasons combined. Battle has one year of relevant production, and while he could outdo this projection, it's tough to endorse another monster tackle effort with the expected improvements in Cincy's front seven. For what it's worth, PFF graded him 62nd of 98 safeties, which points to this projection likely being on target.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CIN | 17 | 43 | 28 | 71 | 2.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| 2024 | CIN | 17 | 31 | 22 | 53 | 0.0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| 2025 | CIN | 17 | 62 | 63 | 125 | 0.0 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 0 |

### 18
### JEREMY CHINN
RAIDERS

**BYE WEEK: 13**
HT: 6-3
WT: 220
AGE: 28

The 28-year-old posted another respectable fantasy season in 2025, his first with the Raiders after a pit stop in Washington following his four-year stint in Carolina. Always a capable tackler who plays near the line of scrimmage, Chinn will have some familiarity with new DC Rob Leonard, as the latter coached around the box for Vegas in 2025. Durability can be a bit of a concern here, and the Raiders move to a 3-4 base with a lot of new pieces, so Chinn has newfound risk to factor in.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CAR | 12 | 18 | 12 | 30 | 1.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 2024 | WAS | 17 | 73 | 44 | 117 | 2.0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 0 |
| 2025 | LV | 15 | 63 | 51 | 114 | 1.0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 |

### 19
### JOSHUA METELLUS
VIKINGS

**BYE WEEK: 6**
HT: 5-11
WT: 208
AGE: 28

Last season, Metellus fought through a nagging shoulder injury. The Vikings shut him down in December to avoid risking further damage. All signs point to him being 100% ready for Week 1. While Minnesota's secondary will look different if Harrison Smith indeed retires, Metellus warrants the benefit of the doubt for a DB2 buy.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | MIN | 17 | 78 | 38 | 116 | 2.5 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 0 |
| 2024 | MIN | 17 | 63 | 40 | 103 | 0.0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| 2025 | MIN | 14 | 42 | 44 | 86 | 0.5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 |

### 20
### RILEY MOSS
BRONCOS

**BYE WEEK: 10**
HT: 6-1
WT: 193
AGE: 26

No player tallied more passes defended last year than Moss. He has a defined slot role that not only puts him in plenty of coverage situations for aerial stats but also enables the 26-year-old to rack up a ton of tackles for a corner. Little has changed to suggest he won't be in for another strong showing, and gamers can treat him as a midrange DB2 in most formats.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | DEN | 14 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | DEN | 14 | 65 | 21 | 86 | 0.0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 0 |
| 2025 | DEN | 17 | 57 | 23 | 80 | 1.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 0 |

### 21
### JAQUAN BRISKER
STEELERS

**BYE WEEK: 9**
HT: 6-1
WT: 204
AGE: 27

The former Chicago Bear heads to the AFC North for his first season with the Steelers, where the Pittsburgh native will man the free safety spot alongside DeShon Elliott in this veteran-heavy secondary. Brisker rebounded adequately from a lost 2024 by generating 93 total stops a year ago. It won't be a surprise if he winds up threatening a top-12 finish.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CHI | 15 | 66 | 39 | 105 | 1.0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 0 |
| 2024 | CHI | 6 | 23 | 17 | 40 | 1.0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| 2025 | CHI | 17 | 52 | 41 | 93 | 1.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 |

### 22
### RONNIE HICKMAN
BROWNS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-1
WT: 209
AGE: 24

In 2025, Hickman stayed healthy, leading to a breakout season after missing three outings the prior year. He finished with 103 tackles, seven PDs and a pair of picks. A downhill tackler, Hickman rates well in coverage (11th, per PFF), despite the stats pointing to an in-the-box run-stopper. That said, your expected range of statistical returns isn't likely to be particularly wide.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CLE | 10 | 17 | 8 | 25 | 0.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| 2024 | CLE | 14 | 26 | 19 | 45 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 2025 | CLE | 17 | 51 | 52 | 103 | 0.0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 |

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## 23

## DAX HILL

BENGALS

**BYE WEEK: 6**
HT: 6-0
WT: 195
AGE: 25

After a torn ACL limited him to only five games in 2024, Hill bounced back with 88 combined stops, 11 PBUs and the third interception of his four-year career. He's not particularly great at any one thing, and while he ranked higher in coverage by PFF (36th), Hill's stats don't reflect a high-end fantasy playmaker. Cincinnati upgraded the front seven personnel and has a pair of blossoming young linebackers to soak up stops, which dampens Hill's upside. He remains a risky but useful fringe DB2 and likely can be had as a No. 3.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | CIN | 17 | 72 | 38 | 110 | 1.5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 |
| 2024 | CIN | 5 | 20 | 5 | 25 | 1.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| 2025 | CIN | 17 | 57 | 31 | 88 | 0.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 |

## 24

## TYSON CAMPBELL

BROWNS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-1
WT: 195
AGE: 26

Despite recording the second-most PBUs in the NFL in 2025 with 18 to his credit, Campbell is just above average in coverage, according to PFF grading (48th CB). He snagged his only interception since 2023, and it was his jump in tackles that did the heavy lifting otherwise for fantasy utility in his first season with the Browns. Cleveland has a new coaching staff this year, with Mike Rutenberg taking over at DC. He comes from the Robert Saleh tree, so more downhill defense can be expected from Campbell.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | JAC | 12 | 42 | 19 | 61 | 0.0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| 2024 | JAC | 12 | 42 | 17 | 59 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| 2025 | JAC/CLE | 17 | 54 | 33 | 87 | 0.0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 18 | 1 |

## 25

## TRE'VON MOEHRIG

PANTHERS

**BYE WEEK: 5**
HT: 6-2
WT: 202
AGE: 27

Following a couple shaky seasons to begin his pro career, Moehrig has developed into a reliable fantasy contributor. He has generated 100-plus tackles in consecutive years and set a career high with 3.0 sacks in 2025, his first season with Carolina. The Panthers beefed up the front seven in the draft and free agency, so it'll be interesting to see if that changes how much Moehrig crowds the line. Either way, he's a fairly safe bet as a borderline DB2/DB3 in tackle-heavy scoring.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | LV | 17 | 65 | 18 | 83 | 2.0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 |
| 2024 | LV | 17 | 64 | 40 | 104 | 1.0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 10 | 0 |
| 2025 | CAR | 16 | 65 | 38 | 103 | 3.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |

## 26

## XAVIER WATTS

FALCONS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 6-0
WT: 203
AGE: 224

We have a small sample size after his breakout rookie season. Fortunately, new head coach Kevin Stefanski retained defensive coordinator Jeff Ulbrich to help keep some continuity for Watts. In 2025, the Notre Dame product tallied 59 solos, 37 assists, 11 PBUs, five picks and a fumble recovery to stuff the stat sheet for fantasy. The picks probably will come down a touch, but the rest of his stats figure to be right in that general range again, barring injury.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025 | ARI | 17 | 59 | 37 | 96 | 0.0 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 11 | 0 |

## 27

## ALONTAE TAYLOR

TITANS

**BYE WEEK: 9**
HT: 6-1
WT: 199
AGE: 27

Taylor comes over from the Saints with a 36th-ranked coverage score by PFF, and a much less appealing run defense ranking (74th of 114). He'll be playing for a pair of veteran defensive minds in head coach Robert Saleh and DC Gus Bradley, which bodes well for a strong fantasy showing after Taylor rattled off his third straight year with at least 75 stops and 11 PBUs. There's legit upside here.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | NO | 17 | 56 | 19 | 75 | 1.0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 14 | 0 |
| 2024 | NO | 17 | 61 | 28 | 89 | 4.0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 16 | 0 |
| 2025 | NO | 17 | 59 | 24 | 83 | 2.0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 |

## 28

## CAM BYNUM

COLTS

**BYE WEEK: 13**
HT: 6-0
WT: 200
AGE: 28

Bynum's first year with Indy wasn't all that different from his last with Minnesota. The per-game average was one-tenth of a point off in conventional fantasy scoring. His midrange tackle numbers and reliable coverage stats carried over almost uniformly. In his second year with the Colts, Bynum offers a safe floor and high-end ceiling based on his monster 2023 effort with the Vikes and 17 games of availability over each of the last four seasons.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | MIN | 17 | 94 | 43 | 137 | 0.5 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 9 | 0 |
| 2024 | MIN | 17 | 54 | 42 | 96 | 0.0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 10 | 0 |
| 2025 | IND | 17 | 50 | 31 | 81 | 1.0 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 0 |

## 29

## CALEB DOWNS

COWBOYS

**BYE WEEK: 14**
HT: 5-11
WT: 206
AGE: 21

Dallas was more than happy to see Downs fall to the 11th overall pick in April's draft. The Ohio State standout comes to America's Team with two years as a Buckeye after transferring from Alabama, illustrating his pedigree. The rangy production was on display throughout the stat sheet, and Downs is a high-upside flier to crack the top 30 in 2026. PFF graded his coverage as 37th among all college safeties last year, and we should see that translate well to a slot role in Dallas.

## 30

## KEVIN BYARD III

PATRIOTS

**BYE WEEK: 11**
HT: 5-11
WT: 218
AGE: 33

Byard still projects favorably for fantasy managers. He has been remarkably steady regardless of the stop, and there's no reason to expect a significant drop-off in his first year with the Pats. Not only has he been consistent, but Byard also ranks well in both pass (20th) and run defense (24th), according to Pro Football Focus. His age may turn off some drafters, but there's at least one more DB3 or better year left in his tank.

| Year | Team | GP | Solo | Assists | Total Tkls | Sacks | INT | FF | FR | PD | TD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023 | TEN/PHI | 16 | 80 | 42 | 122 | 0.0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| 2024 | CHI | 17 | 80 | 50 | 130 | 2.0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 0 |
| 2025 | CHI | 17 | 61 | 32 | 93 | 0.0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 |

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# BUFFALO BILLS

**INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM**

AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**Now that Joe Brady is head coach, what can we expect from new offensive coordinator Pete Carmichael?** This is Joe Brady's team, and it's his offense. He'll be calling the plays on game day, and Carmichael is going to fill the same role he had for nearly two decades as the right-hand man for Sean Payton, first in New Orleans and then in Denver. Carmichael will be involved in game-planning and helping to handle the meeting rooms when Brady has to pay attention to offense and special teams.

**If DJ Moore is now Buffalo's WR1, which receiver will see the second-most targets?** Khalil Shakir has been Buffalo's leading receiver each of the past two seasons, and he's going to remain a key part of the passing game because he has the most time on task with Josh Allen and is a player the quarterback trusts more than any other receiver on the team. Shakir has a great knack for finding openings and then piling up yards after the catch, and with Moore drawing attention on the outside, Shakir should benefit from one-on-one matchups.

**Who will be the primary handcuff for James Cook III: Ty Johnson or Ray Davis?** As a rookie in 2024, Davis had 113 carries for 442 yards, plus 17 catches for 189 yards while playing about 24% of the offensive snaps. But in 2025 his snap share dipped to 15% as Johnson was used not only on third downs but as Cook's primary backup. Johnson played about 30% and produced 463 yards from scrimmage and five TDs, and that may continue in 2026.

— Sal Maiorana, *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle*

KHALIL SHAKIR

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Josh Allen | 421.1 |
| RB | James Cook III | 290.1 |
| | Ty Johnson | 76.0 |
| | Ray Davis | 60.3 |
| WR | DJ Moore | 216.4 |
| | Khalil Shakir | 146.6 |
| | Keon Coleman | 96.9 |
| TE | Dalton Kincaid | 155.1 |
| | Dawson Knox | 78.5 |
| K | Tyler Bass | 154.0 |

EFP: Expected Fantasy Points

DE'VON ACHANE

# MIAMI DOLPHINS

**INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM**

AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**What can fantasy managers expect from new offensive coordinator Bobby Slowik?** The Dolphins will surely emphasize the run game. Even before new head coach Jeff Hafley settled on promoting Slowik, he knew this was the identity he wanted offensively. It should be all about maximizing how much the Dolphins can get the ball in the hands of De'Von Achane in space, including in the pass game, as Achane has a real shot at being the most targeted pass-catcher on the roster.

**Do the Dolphins have enough weapons to make Malik Willis a viable fantasy QB?** What gives Willis a high ceiling for potential fantasy relevance in Miami is his rushing ability combined with his big arm. Miami can get him involved in the ground game both on designed runs off read-options and play-fakes to Achane, along with his scrambling ability on pass plays. Then, even if his weapons on the outside aren't consistently getting open, all it takes for a big play is for one to get a step on a defender downfield for Willis to launch it to him.

**Who would be the primary handcuff for De'Von Achane, Jaylen Wright or Ollie Gordon II?** Heading into the season, Wright is the Dolphins back you want for the scenario in which Achane gets hurt, due to his all-around game. He's likely to be the workhorse if Achane is unavailable. Gordon, with his size, has greater potential to steal goal-line carries from either, but as a pure handcuff, go with Wright, who averaged 4.1 yards per carry last season to Gordon's 2.8.

— David Furones, *South Florida Sun-Sentinel*

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Malik Willis | 228.1 |
| | Quinn Ewers | 23.4 |
| RB | De'Von Achane | 287.7 |
| | Jaylen Wright | 72.9 |
| | Ollie Gordon II | 42.7 |
| WR | Caleb Douglas (R) | 98.0 |
| | Malik Washington | 93.6 |
| TE | Greg Dulcich | 69.1 |
| K | Riley Patterson | 118.0 |

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# NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

DRAKE MAYE

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

### AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**How will New England use its running back tandem of TreVeyon Henderson and Rhamondre Stevenson?** During the "Forged In Foxborough" series, Stevenson had a telling quote that perfectly illustrates the Patriots' running back room. "It might be Trey's week one week, might be my week one week," the veteran back said. They both possess different qualities that make them great, which will factor in from week to week depending on the defense.

**Can Drake Maye continue to be a productive fantasy QB?** Maye will easily continue to be a productive fantasy quarterback for two simple reasons: his ability to run and his impressive accuracy. Maye throws one of the best deep balls in the league, while also being able to make throws in tight windows. As for running, when a play breaks down or there are no targets open, he will head for the open space.

**Which of the Pats' returning wideouts has a chance to break out?** The obvious answer to this would be Kayshon Boutte; however, he has a high trade value, especially if the Patriots acquire A.J. Brown. In that case, the two players who have the best chance to further break out are Kyle Williams and DeMario Douglas. Head coach Mike Vrabel was very complimentary of Douglas this offseason, expressing how they would like to get him more involved in the offense.

— Sophie Weller, *Patriots Wire*

### FANTASY DEPTH CHART

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Drake Maye | 358.7 |
| RB | TreVeyon Henderson | 232.7 |
| | Rhamondre Stevenson | 156.5 |
| WR | A.J. Brown | 234.4 |
| | Romeo Doubs | 155.1 |
| | Kayshon Boutte | 98.3 |
| | Kyle Williams | 74.7 |
| TE | Hunter Henry | 145.0 |
| K | Andy Borregales | 141.0 |

EFP: Expected Fantasy Points

# NEW YORK JETS

GARRETT WILSON

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

### AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**How quickly will rookie TE Kenyon Sadiq become a productive pass-catcher?** Very quickly. Sadiq should immediately take over for Mason Taylor as the Jets' top tight end option. As a rookie last year, Taylor had just 44 catches for 369 yards and one touchdown. Sadiq already has an impressive mastery of the entire route tree and gets in and out of his breaks with ease, while creating nice separation. He had 51 catches, 560 yards and eight touchdowns in 14 games last year at Oregon. The Jets will look his way often in 2026.

**What are your expectations for WR Garrett Wilson this season?** Geno Smith isn't an amazing quarterback, but he's better than the mess Wilson dealt with last season, when he battled a knee injury, no less. Wilson is healthy and should have no problem returning to his typically high level of production, especially since he is used to thriving despite a subpar quarterback situation. He cracked 1,000 yards in each of his first two seasons, when Zach Wilson got most of the starts.

**Which WR will see the most targets after Wilson?** Look for rookie Omar Cooper Jr. to be that guy. He should also draw coverage attention away from Wilson. The Jets really wanted Cooper, so they will feature him. They traded up three spots to grab him at No. 30 in this year's draft. Cooper is a big, strong target who can handle physical NFL cornerbacks. He can dominate in the slot and navigate through press coverage without issue. Plus, he produces. He had seven touchdowns in 13 games during 2024 and 13 in 16 games last year.

— Darryl Slater, *NJ Advance Media*

### FANTASY DEPTH CHART

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Geno Smith | 224.7 |
| | Cade Klubnik (R) | 19.0 |
| RB | Breece Hall | 268.4 |
| | Isaiah Davis | 100.2 |
| WR | Garrett Wilson | 222.8 |
| | Omar Cooper Jr. (R) | 99.5 |
| | Adonai Mitchell | 96.4 |
| TE | Kenyon Sadiq (R) | 130.5 |
| K | Cade York | 108.0 |

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# BALTIMORE RAVENS

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

### AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**After an up-and-down season, what should we expect from Lamar Jackson this season?** Improved offensive line play would help Jackson as a passer and runner. Jackson missed four games last season, but his touchdown passes plunged from 41 to 21. If new coordinator Declan Doyle's offense is operating as hoped, Jackson should be closer to 30. Jackson last year ran 67 times for 349 yards, both career lows by far. Those numbers should go up. Jackson remains a difference-maker with the ball in his hands, and Doyle will find ways to make that happen.

**At 32, will Derrick Henry's workload be lessened?** Probably. Several Hall of Fame backs have racked up 300 carries at age 30 or 31. At age 32? Hardly any. Walter Payton had three straight 300-carry seasons in his early 30s, and if anyone can match "Sweetness," it's probably Henry, a physical marvel who is coming off his second straight 300-carry, 1,500-yard season. If Jackson is healthy and more involved as a runner, though, Henry will carry less, and the Ravens want Henry fresh for the home stretch.

**Does the loss of Isaiah Likely mean more targets for Mark Andrews, or will someone else step up?** With Likely gone, Andrews is the clear No. 2 target behind Zay Flowers. Andrews is coming off a career-low 422 receiving yards and turns 31 in September, but Jackson still trusts him implicitly. And he remains a top red-zone threat. Under Doyle last year, tight ends with the Bears totaled 136 targets, 13 more than Ravens tight ends.

— Bo Smolka, Freelance Writer

DERRICK HENRY

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Lamar Jackson | 363.2 |
| | Tyler Huntley | 14.0 |
| RB | Derrick Henry | 248.3 |
| | Justice Hill | 95.7 |
| | Adam Randall (R) | 63.1 |
| WR | Zay Flowers | 238.5 |
| | Rashod Bateman | 116.5 |
| | Devontez Walker | 68.8 |
| TE | Mark Andrews | 172.8 |
| | Matt Hibner (R) | 71.1 |
| K | Tyler Loop | 150.0 |

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CHASE BROWN

# CINCINNATI BENGALS

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

### AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**This has been a pass-first offense, but can Chase Brown make it a more balanced attack?** Brown has emerged as a true three-down back and a strong fantasy option. While it's unclear if he'll get more than the 13-14 carries per game he received last season, he's becoming just as much of a threat as a pass-catcher who can take short passes and turn them into first downs. His targets have just kept going up, and Brown has made the most of them, scoring five receiving TDs to go along with his six rushing TDs in 2025. Even with a surplus of playmakers in Cincinnati, Brown figures to get plenty of opportunities.

**After missing half of the 2025 season, is Joe Burrow 100%?** That's the plan, but things can certainly change in the weeks and days leading into camp. Injuries have marred roughly half of Burrow's NFL seasons, and the goal for him is to stay as healthy as possible until the games matter. When he stays off the injured list, Burrow is one of the best real and fantasy QBs in the game.

**Who will be the Bengals' top tight end target: Drew Sample or Mike Gesicki?** Gesicki is much more of a true pass-catcher than Sample, who averaged just 7.1 yards per reception in 2025. Gesicki, meanwhile, posted 28 catches for 307 yards while missing four games in 2025. A full season of work could mean another solid campaign for the ninth-year veteran.

— *Athlon Sports*

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Joe Burrow | 364.7 |
| RB | Chase Brown | 237.1 |
| | Samaje Perine | 69.1 |
| WR | Ja'Marr Chase | 384.4 |
| | Tee Higgins | 218.5 |
| | Andrei Iosivas | 109.7 |
| TE | Mike Gesicki | 95.8 |
| K | Evan McPherson | 135.0 |

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# CLEVELAND BROWNS

QUINSHON JUDKINS

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**Who will be the starting QB in Cleveland?** History says the answer is "all of the above," and history likely repeats itself here. Though a healthy Deshaun Watson could use his experience edge to win the job headed into the season, nothing about Watson's recent track record says he will either excel or stay healthy. The Browns need to know if Shedeur Sanders is worth further development, so he will also almost certainly play at some point in 2026.

**Will it be Quinshon Judkins or RB by committee?** Judkins is the clear lead back, and he's probably in line for almost as big a share of the load as any No. 1 running back. Dylan Sampson is a smaller, shiftier player who's a natural third-down back, and Raheim Sanders is a backup who could win a short-yardage role. But Judkins, when healthy, will get most of the high-leverage carries, and he showed enough explosion in his rookie season to loom as a nice fantasy sleeper if the Browns can upgrade other areas of their offense.

**Which rookie WR will see more targets: KC Concepcion or Denzel Boston?** As the Browns go through the process of adapting to new head coach Todd Monken's offense, Concepcion might not have one singular role. But he will certainly be on the field, and whether or not he's always in the slot, Monken will have Concepcion involved from the start of the season. Concepcion has run-after-catch ability the Browns really didn't have in last year's receiving corps.

— *Athlon Sports*

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Shedeur Sanders | 207.2 |
| | Deshaun Watson | 47.8 |
| RB | Quinshon Judkins | 209.8 |
| | Dylan Sampson | 133.8 |
| WR | Jerry Jeudy | 169.6 |
| | KC Concepcion (R) | 117.8 |
| | Denzel Boston (R) | 78.7 |
| TE | Harold Fannin Jr. | 202.0 |
| K | Andre Szmyt | 119.0 |

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# PITTSBURGH STEELERS

JAYLEN WARREN

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**Which running back will get the bulk of carries for Pittsburgh — Jaylen Warren, Rico Dowdle or Kaleb Johnson?** Warren is the safest bet after serving as a rock-solid top option for the Steelers in 2025. That said, Dowdle had no problem taking over major carries last year when given the opportunity, so he'd be up for it if Warren had to miss any significant time.

**Who will see more targets, DK Metcalf or Michael Pittman Jr.?** This might be a true flip-a-coin scenario, but history is on Pittman's side. Over the past five years in Indianapolis, Pittman has received no fewer than 111 targets. He thrives on volume and, despite some nagging injuries, rarely misses games. Metcalf has the higher ceiling between the two due to his propensity for touchdowns, and he can really pop off when the deep ball is going his way, but Pittman is a steady option.

**Which tight end will get more targets, Darnell Washington or Pat Freiermuth?** Washington has the higher upside long term, but Freiermuth is the safer bet for 2026. Although he may not be the flashiest TE in the league, Freiermuth is reliable and consistent, often picking up three to four targets per game. Washington's usage is trending up, but it's too early to tell if he's ready to surpass Freiermuth as Pittsburgh's TE1.

— *Athlon Sports*

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Aaron Rodgers | 274.8 |
| | Drew Allar (R) | 18.3 |
| RB | Rico Dowdle | 197.0 |
| | Jaylen Warren | 178.7 |
| WR | DK Metcalf | 216.6 |
| | Michael Pittman Jr. | 189.9 |
| | Germie Bernard (R) | 116.9 |
| TE | Pat Freiermuth | 136.3 |
| K | Chris Boswell | 150.0 |

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# HOUSTON TEXANS

C.J. STROUD

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**Were C.J. Stroud's playoff struggles a sign of things to come?** There was obviously reason to be concerned about the playoff meltdown, but encouraging signs exist this offseason of a serious, locked-in young quarterback who still has untapped potential. The Texans believe that a change in voice at quarterbacks coach from Jerrod Johnson to Jerry Schuplinski will benefit Stroud. They like the kind of shape Stroud has gotten into through a more intense and consistent weightlifting regimen. And they think he'll benefit from upgrades to the offensive line and running game.

**After splitting carries with Jahmyr Gibbs in Detroit the past three years, what will David Montgomery's workload be like?** The expectations are high for Montgomery's volume and role: 20 to 25 combined touches per game, inside and outside runs, plus a red-zone finishing capacity capitalizing on his proven nose for the end zone. Third-down back Woody Marks will complement him, but the RB1 role belongs solely to Montgomery. How happy are the Texans to acquire Montgomery? They signed him to a two-year, $16.5 million extension.

**After he missed all of 2025, what can we expect from WR Tank Dell?** It is hard to treat Dell as anything more than a fantasy flyer option at this point. There is no evidence he can regain his old form because he hasn't been cleared to practice or been seen running routes against anything except air. When healthy, Dell was dynamic. He has to prove himself all over again.

— Aaron Wilson, KPRC 2 Houston

### FANTASY DEPTH CHART

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | C.J. Stroud | 289.8 |
| RB | David Montgomery | 195.4 |
| | Woody Marks | 154.6 |
| WR | Nico Collins | 241.0 |
| | Jayden Higgins | 139.8 |
| | Jaylin Noel | 91.6 |
| | Tank Dell | 82.7 |
| TE | Dalton Schultz | 135.7 |
| K | Ka'imi Fairbairn | 202.0 |

EFP: Expected Fantasy Points

# INDIANAPOLIS COLTS

TYLER WARREN

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**What is Daniel Jones' status for the start of the season?** Team doctors traditionally provide optimistic timelines for recovery, so the report that Jones is ahead of his rehabilitation schedule, while encouraging, should be questioned. He fractured his fibula. He tore his ACL. These injuries typically take a year to heal. If you're an optimist, OK, perhaps Jones is ready for Week 1. But the smart guess is that he won't be himself until November, about a year after his fracture.

**Who will see the bulk of the targets opened up with the loss of Michael Pittman Jr.?** The No. 1 target in 2025 was rookie tight end Tyler Warren with 112 targets, one more than Pittman. So it stands to reason that Warren will benefit the most. Expect new No. 2 wideout Josh Downs to see an increase in his touches, too, but he had 24 fewer than Warren. New No. 1 Alec Pierce wants to prove he's worth his new four-year, $114 million contract, but he's more of a deep threat than a possession receiver, so expect a bump but not nearly as much as Warren or Downs.

**Who will be the primary handcuff for RB Jonathan Taylor?** DJ Giddens should get most of the backup carries, based on the 2025 fifth-round pick's nine games played as a rookie with 96 yards rushing on 26 carries. Seventh-round pick Seth McGowan looks like more of a third-down back, based on his 60 receptions for 708 yards and four TDs in college.

— Phillip Wilson, *AllColts.com*

### FANTASY DEPTH CHART

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Daniel Jones | 250.1 |
| | Riley Leonard | 22.1 |
| RB | Jonathan Taylor | 322.1 |
| | DJ Giddens | 44.7 |
| WR | Alec Pierce | 184.4 |
| | Josh Downs | 168.2 |
| | N. Westbrook-Ikhine | 65.4 |
| TE | Tyler Warren | 217.3 |
| K | Blake Grupe | 145.0 |

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# JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS

BHAYSHUL TUTEN

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

### AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**How close can Bhayshul Tuten come to matching Travis Etienne Jr.'s production from last season?** Close, though he may have a difficult time matching Etienne's 13 touchdowns (seven rushing, six receiving). While Tuten has high-end speed and strength, and while he seems likely to score seven to eight touchdowns in head coach Liam Coen's high-powered offense, the Jaguars signed Chris Rodriguez Jr. as a restricted free agent, and he figures to get a lot of touches.

**What are expectations for wide receiver Brian Thomas Jr.?** After 1,282 receiving yards and 10 touchdowns as a rookie in 2024, Thomas had 707 yards and two touchdowns in 2025 and struggled at times with drops. Thomas figures to have a key role as the field-stretching receiver who can draw double-teams in 2026. But in a balanced receiving corps, matching his 2024 statistics could be difficult.

**After a bounce-back season last year from Trevor Lawrence, can we expect more of the same in 2026?** Yes. Lawrence had a career season in which he threw 29 touchdowns with 12 interceptions in 2025 — and he had 15 touchdown passes with one interception in the last six games as he grew increasingly comfortable in Coen's scheme. Lawrence also ran for nine touchdowns in 2025. With a year under his belt in Coen's offense, Lawrence should be better in 2026 than in 2025.

— John Oehser, *The O-Zone*

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Trevor Lawrence | 358.4 |
| RB | Bhayshul Tuten | 134.6 |
| | Chris Rodriguez Jr. | 86.6 |
| | LeQuint Allen Jr. | 80.8 |
| WR | Brian Thomas Jr. | 223.6 |
| | Jakobi Meyers | 174.1 |
| | Parker Washington | 158.3 |
| TE | Brenton Strange | 132.5 |
| K | Cam Little | 156.0 |

EFP: Expected Fantasy Points

# TENNESSEE TITANS

CARNELL TATE

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

### AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**Who will have the bigger fantasy impact: returning veteran Calvin Ridley or rookie Carnell Tate?** Tate arrives as the fourth overall pick, with the Titans hoping he ascends rapidly to the top of the depth chart. Ridley is coming off a leg injury that cost him half of last year, and the hope is that he slides into more of a support role, enabling Tate to jump to the front of the playmaking line.

**What can we expect from Cam Ward in his second season?** In Ward's rookie season, he became the Titans' first 3,000-yard passer since 2022 and had only seven interceptions to 15 touchdowns. But his yards per attempt (5.9) and completion percentage (59.8) both left something to be desired. Enter new offensive coordinator Brian Daboll, who coveted Ward when he was head coach of the New York Giants. Expect the Titans to rely more on the run game and short passes while Ward adapts to a new system. The Year 2 hope for Ward is that he shows he is on his way to becoming a top-half-of-the-league quarterback.

**Can Tony Pollard be a valuable fantasy starter, or will Tyjae Spears get more carries?** With the drafting of Nicholas Singleton, the Titans have added a back of the future who could end up being a back of the present before this season is over. Pollard is still expected to be the lead back, but with both Pollard and Spears on expiring contracts, Singleton could be the main guy by 2027. For now, he figures to cut into Spears' time more than Pollard's. That said, Pollard is still a lower-tier fantasy option due to losing a step and running behind a poor line.

— Terry McCormick, *TitanInsider.com*

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Cam Ward | 246.3 |
| | Mitchell Trubisky | 13.9 |
| RB | Tony Pollard | 181.0 |
| | Tyjae Spears | 134.7 |
| | Nicholas Singleton (R) | 43.3 |
| WR | Wan'Dale Robinson | 154.1 |
| | Carnell Tate (R) | 126.9 |
| | Elic Ayomanor | 92.3 |
| | Chimere Dike | 91.2 |
| | Calvin Ridley | 74.7 |
| TE | Gunnar Helm | 120.8 |
| K | Joey Slye | 133.0 |

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# DENVER BRONCOS

**INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM**

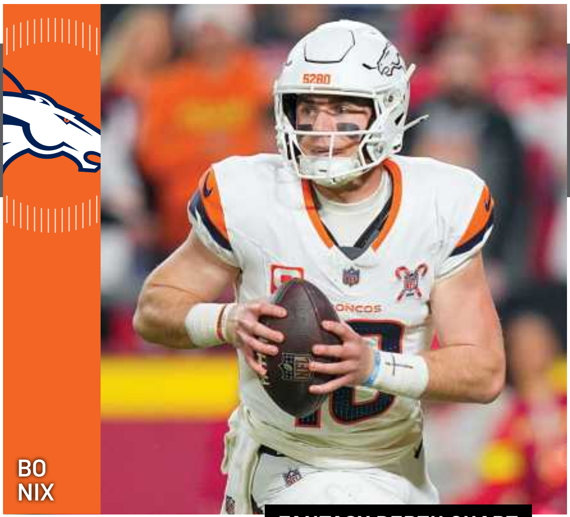
AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**When will Bo Nix be able to play at full speed?** Every time the Broncos talked about Nix's ankle this offseason, they put their foot in their mouth. When a checkup became a cleanup — he was ahead of schedule, so an expected surgery after the season was done in April — Nix's health became a story. Even with a cautious approach, he should be full-speed early in training camp. The issue is whether or not he will play the same stylistically, an important question given how his mobility makes him a dual-threat.

**How will the carries split between J.K. Dobbins and RJ Harvey?** Dobbins has shown that he improves with more carries. Harvey profiles as a third-down and short-yardage back. Dobbins fantasy owners must be prepared to lose goal-line touchdowns to Harvey, who proved a more effective target out of the backfield than a between-the-tackles runner. Rookie Jonah Coleman is viewed as a younger Dobbins, so don't be surprised if he emerges if Dobbins fails to stay healthy again.

**Who is the WR1 in this offense: Courtland Sutton or newcomer Jaylen Waddle?** There will be no designation, but for the offense to reach its potential, Waddle needs to fill a significant role. His ability to line up in the slot and outside will create target opportunities, while Sutton will remain a Bo Nix favorite on third down.

— Troy Renck, *Denver Post*



BO NIX

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Bo Nix | 361.6 |
| | Jarrett Stidham | 12.8 |
| RB | RJ Harvey | 233.8 |
| | J.K. Dobbins | 121.6 |
| | Jonah Coleman (R) | 44.3 |
| WR | Courtland Sutton | 228.3 |
| | Jaylen Waddle | 192.4 |
| | Troy Franklin | 118.0 |
| TE | Evan Engram | 90.0 |
| K | Wil Lutz | 151.0 |

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# KANSAS CITY CHIEFS

KENNETH WALKER III

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Patrick Mahomes | 304.6 |
| RB | Kenneth Walker III | 252.6 |
| | Brashard Smith | 55.9 |
| | Emari Demercado | 42.8 |
| WR | Rashee Rice | 196.7 |
| | Xavier Worthy | 157.0 |
| | Tyquan Thornton | 75.3 |
| TE | Travis Kelce | 183.4 |
| K | Harrison Butker | 151.0 |

EFP: Expected Fantasy Points

**INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM**

AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**With Kenneth Walker III in the mix, how much closer will the Chiefs be to a run-first offense?** The shift actually started in 2024. During Patrick Mahomes' first six seasons as a starter, at least 60% of the offense's plays and 70% of the yards came through the air. The balance has dipped a few percent below those thresholds each of the past two seasons. With Walker, the run game should be more effective and explosive. Coupled with offensive coordinator Eric Bieniemy's return, the trend toward balance should accelerate.

**What do you expect from Travis Kelce in his (presumed) final season?** Father Time and the 1972 Miami Dolphins remain the NFL's lone unbeaten legends. Kelce isn't the dominant force he once was, but he's still a mid-tier TE1. Despite his lowest target share since 2014, Kelce still ranked in the top 30 players in the league with 76 catches for 851 yards last season. Modest numbers by his standards — say, 75 catches and 850 yards with five TDs — seem attainable again.

**Do the Chiefs have enough offensive weapons for Mahomes to return to fantasy stardom?** Probably not, honestly — though he was on a fantasy heater during the first eight weeks last season. The Chiefs expect Mahomes to be ready Week 1, but he may scramble less post-surgery, which could ding his fantasy value. Of course, he loves proving people wrong, and an improved rushing attack should open up the deep ball regularly again.

— Tod Palmer, KSHB-TV

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# LAS VEGAS RAIDERS

**INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM**

AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**Do you think Fernando Mendoza will take over as the starter this year? If so, when?** Yes, absolutely. The Raiders will be prudent with their rookie quarterback, so it would not be a surprise if Kirk Cousins started the season opener. However, they won't sit Mendoza out due to any organizational philosophy. When they believe Mendoza is ready, he will get the call — realistically, by Week 5.

**What are expectations for Ashton Jeanty in his second season?** Something along the lines of 1,300 rushing yards, 700 receiving yards and 13 total touchdowns. Given the bad offensive line play and offensive coaching last year, it almost defies logic that Jeanty still ran for more than 900 yards as a rookie. Nevertheless, that was a major disappointment, and the Raiders are determined to get their talented second-year running back untracked in Year 2.

**Which Raiders wide receiver do you think will post the best numbers?** I've got an eye on Jalen Nailor. The Raiders were aggressive in reeling in the former Vikings wide receiver early in free agency, believing he has a chance to blossom in a bigger role in Las Vegas. Remember, Nailor played alongside Justin Jefferson and Jordan Addison in Minnesota, so there was a pecking order in place. With the Raiders, Nailor could rise to the No. 2 option in the passing game behind tight end Brock Bowers.

— Vincent Bonsignore, *@Californiapost*

ASHTON JEANTY

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Kirk Cousins | 189.6 |
| | Fernando Mendoza (R) | 109.0 |
| RB | Ashton Jeanty | 306.9 |
| | Mike Washington Jr. (R) | 48.6 |
| WR | Tre Tucker | 142.8 |
| | Jack Bech | 120.2 |
| | Jalen Nailor | 98.8 |
| | Dont'e Thornton Jr. | 68.5 |
| TE | Brock Bowers | 223.7 |
| K | Matt Gay | 128.0 |

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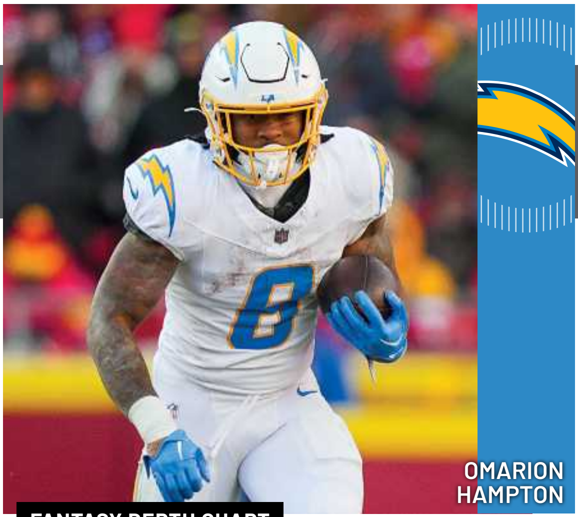
OMARION HAMPTON

# LOS ANGELES CHARGERS

**INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM**

AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**What is the health status of Omarion Hampton, and can he emerge as a viable fantasy RB?** Hampton is fully healthy ahead of the 2026 season. Before his ankle injury sidelined him for seven games in 2025, Hampton proved able to handle a heavy workload both on the ground and as a receiver. Under new offensive coordinator Mike McDaniel, Hampton is a locked-in fantasy RB1. With an improved offensive line, Hampton could be positioned to be a top-five fantasy producer.

**Who is the primary handcuff for Hampton: Keaton Mitchell or Kimani Vidal?** Signed to a two-year deal in the offseason, Mitchell is the primary handcuff to Hampton. Mitchell's elite speed and career 6.3 yards-per-carry average make him the direct beneficiary of the McDaniel scheme. While Vidal provides valuable depth, he is expected to serve in a complementary role.

**Oronde Gadsden had a surprising rookie season. Will the signings of David Njoku and Charlie Kolar limit his fantasy production?** Gadsden had a strong rookie year (49 catches, 664 yards, three TDs). The additions of Njoku and Kolar will modestly limit his target volume in 2026. Njoku, a proven veteran pass-catcher, will rotate heavily in multi-tight end sets, stealing some red-zone and receiving snaps. Kolar is primarily a run-blocker and won't significantly cut into Gadsden's production. Gadsden could still deliver TE1/TE2 numbers with spike-week upside. His ceiling is slightly lower than in a thinner room, but OC Mike McDaniel's creative scheme and Justin Herbert's ability keep him a solid mid-round option.

— Gavino Borquez, *@TheChargersWire*

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Justin Herbert | 354.3 |
| RB | Omarion Hampton | 251.6 |
| | Kimani Vidal | 80.4 |
| WR | Ladd McConkey | 222.9 |
| | Quentin Johnston | 157.9 |
| | Tre' Harris | 131.8 |
| TE | David Njoku | 110.4 |
| | Oronde Gadsden | 91.2 |
| K | Cameron Dicker | 178.0 |

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# DALLAS COWBOYS

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

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**Can Dak Prescott and CeeDee Lamb connect for more than last year's total of three touchdowns?** Lamb missed three games last season with a high-ankle sprain and a concussion after missing only four in his first five seasons combined. In his absence, George Pickens stepped up as the team's No. 1 wideout. The Cowboys still consider Lamb their top target. He has averaged seven touchdowns in his six seasons, and that's likely what he will produce again this season.

**Will Javonte Williams deliver another season of 1,200 yards and double-digit scores?** Williams began last season in a committee before winning the job. They re-signed him in the offseason to be the bell cow, and the Cowboys have no reliable backup options behind him. He could get more than the 769 snaps and the 287 touches he had last season. So, it's a good bet he will have similar or better numbers than last season.

**How will George Pickens' contract situation impact his ability to post big numbers for a second straight year?** Pickens' desire for a long-term deal will serve as a motivation. He is scheduled for free agency in 2027, and proving it in back-to-back prove-it seasons would go a long way in getting him $30 million a year (or more) on a long-term deal. If Lamb stays healthy for 17 games, Pickens might lose some targets to Lamb, but he still should have more catches, yards and touchdowns than in any of his three seasons in Pittsburgh and post similar numbers to last season's.

— Charean Williams, *Pro Football Talk*

DAK PRESCOTT AND CEEDEE LAMB

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Dak Prescott | 368.0 |
| RB | Javonte Williams | 267.6 |
| | Jaydon Blue | 65.6 |
| WR | CeeDee Lamb | 286.2 |
| | George Pickens | 258.2 |
| | Ryan Flournoy | 104.6 |
| TE | Jake Ferguson | 177.0 |
| K | Brandon Aubrey | 193.0 |

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# NEW YORK GIANTS

MALIK NABERS

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**Can Jaxson Dart stay healthy while maintaining his dual-threat value?** The Giants want to know the answer to that too! But they are convinced that he can. He's certainly more of an injury risk because any mobile quarterback is. But they believe that as he matures, he'll be less reckless; he won't lead with his head as much; and he'll learn the value of going out of bounds or sliding instead of risking injury for one more yard. Certainly, the new coaching staff will try to drill that into him. Most young quarterbacks learn that in time. He will, too.

**When will Malik Nabers get back to full strength and be a top-tier fantasy receiver again?** All the reports on his recovery so far have been very good, and he is expected to be ready to practice in some fashion this summer. But the Giants will take it slow and cautious, so don't expect to see a lot until the games start for real. Will he be 100% his old self in Week 1? Probably not. But they expect him to be their No. 1 receiver from the start, and they expect it won't take him long to ramp up to his former, elite status. So yes, he will be back. Just be patient.

**Will Cam Skattebo make up for lost time after last year's season-ending injury?** His injury was pretty severe (a dislocated ankle, fractured fibula and torn ligament), and while the Giants are publicly optimistic, it's hard to know for sure how well, or how quickly, he'll bounce back. One good sign: The Giants didn't sign a running back in free agency, nor did they draft one.

— Ralph Vacchiano, FOX Sports

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Jaxson Dart | 327.4 |
| | Jameis Winston | 22.3 |
| RB | Cam Skattebo | 198.6 |
| | Tyrone Tracy Jr. | 118.4 |
| | Devin Singletary | 86.2 |
| WR | Malik Nabers | 226.4 |
| | Darius Slayton | 84.9 |
| TE | Isaiah Likely | 132.5 |
| | Theo Johnson | 71.6 |
| K | Jason Sanders | 156.0 |

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# PHILADELPHIA EAGLES

JALEN HURTS

**INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM**

AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**Can Saquon Barkley bounce back from a disappointing 2025 season?** Yes, but he's going to need some help. A big reason for Barkley's drop-off last season was the poor health of the Eagles' offensive line. Right tackle Lane Johnson missed a big chunk of the season, as did left guard Landon Dickerson. Both of them are stalwarts. Add in an uninspiring campaign from right guard Tyler Steen, and Barkley didn't have the space he did in '25. Should the line remain intact for much of the season — and he stays healthy — Barkley should threaten 1,500 yards.

**Will Jalen Hurts deliver more consistency in the passing game?** Yes. While new OC Sean Mannion has never coordinated an offense, he should be more successful than 2025 OC Kevin Patullo. That means more creativity in the pass offense, which should help. However, Hurts must use the entire field more. He often refused to throw over the middle last year for fear of being intercepted. He should pass for more yards, but do not expect an explosion.

**How big of an impact will first-round pick Makai Lemon have as a rookie?** Fairly large. Lemon has talent and versatility, and in a receiver lineup that will be without A.J. Brown, he has an opportunity. But DeVonta Smith will be WR1, so that means Lemon must battle Dontayvion Wicks and Hollywood Brown for catches, and it's not like the Birds will run an Air Raid scheme. Expect somewhere around 40-50 receptions for Lemon, hardly a poor debut.

— Michael Bradley, Freelance Writer

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Jalen Hurts | 356.1 |
| RB | Saquon Barkley | 262.9 |
| | Tank Bigsby | 42.7 |
| WR | DeVonta Smith | 229.2 |
| | Makai Lemon (R) | 130.1 |
| | Dontayvion Wicks | 91.2 |
| | Hollywood Brown | 78.0 |
| TE | Dallas Goedert | 131.5 |
| K | Jake Elliott | 128.0 |

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JACORY CROSKEY-MERRITT

# WASHINGTON COMMANDERS

**INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM**

AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**Will Jayden Daniels be able to get through the 2026 season without another major injury?** The biggest reason for optimism regarding Daniels in 2026 may be his new offensive coordinator. While the promotion of first-year play-caller David Blough was a gamble, the scheme he intends to install is highly quarterback-friendly, prioritizing short passes and quick releases. That's not to say Daniels won't get hurt again in 2026, but he should have a better chance of avoiding injury.

**Can Jacory Croskey-Merritt establish himself as a featured back, or will it be another committee approach in 2026?** Croskey-Merritt established himself during his rookie season as a formidable NFL running back, rushing for 805 yards and eight touchdowns on only 175 attempts. But his lack of pass-catching ability limits the number of snaps he's likely to play, and the Commanders' offseason moves suggest they don't quite trust him as a true featured back. Veteran additions Rachaad White and Jerome Ford are both third-down specialists.

**Will Terry McLaurin continue to produce WR1 numbers as he turns 31?** What's concerning about McLaurin isn't merely the fact that he played in only 10 games last season — it's also that his performance fell even when he was on the field. While McLaurin is still only two years removed from an 82-catch, 1,096-yard Pro Bowl season, the team's offseason flirtations with various big-name receivers (Stefon Diggs, Brandon Aiyuk), plus their selection of versatile receiver Antonio Williams, suggest the Commanders have their own questions about McLaurin's future.

— Dave Sheinin, Freelance Writer

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Jayden Daniels | 343.7 |
| RB | Rachaad White | 166.3 |
| | Jacory Croskey-Merritt | 117.5 |
| | Kaytron Allen (R) | 60.1 |
| | Jerome Ford | 45.9 |
| WR | Terry McLaurin | 237.2 |
| | Antonio Williams (R) | 119.8 |
| | Luke McCaffrey | 93.0 |
| TE | Chig Okonkwo | 147.3 |
| K | Jake Moody | 106.0 |

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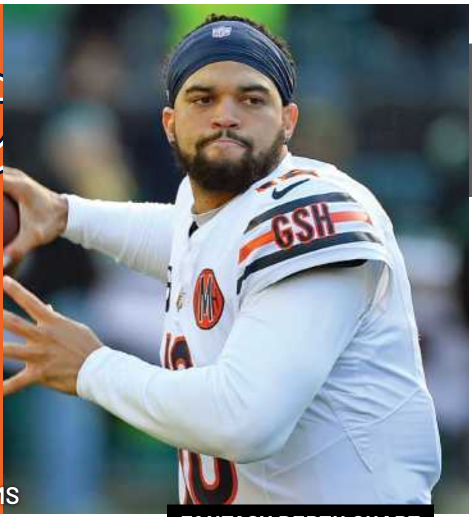
# CHICAGO BEARS



CALEB WILLIAMS

**INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM**

AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**Will Caleb Williams solidify himself as a top-10 fantasy QB in Year 3?** After setting a Bears single-season record with 3,942 passing yards and throwing 27 touchdown passes in 2025, Williams appears primed to take another step in his second season with head coach Ben Johnson. If the USC product can increase his completion percentage and continue to lead late-game rallies, he likely will become a top-10 fantasy quarterback.

**Will D'Andre Swift and Kyle Monangai cancel each other out as fantasy starters in a timeshare backfield?** Yes, to an extent, barring an injury to one of them. While both appear capable of being bell cows, Swift and Monangai are again expected to share the workload like they did in 2025, when they were the only NFL teammates to both rush for at least 750 yards.

**Who will emerge as the No. 1 target in the passing game: Rome Odunze, Colston Loveland or Luther Burden III?** The Bears like to spread the ball around and may not have a true No. 1 target in the passing game. Last year, their top four receivers had 713, 682, 661 and 652 yards, respectively. Odunze hopes to rebound after being slowed by a foot injury in 2025, while Loveland and Burden will seek to build on productive rookie seasons. Loveland should be a top-10 tight end. But Burden, who possesses elite run-after-catch ability, could be in position to have a breakout year, with Johnson saying during the offseason: "We've got to get the ball in his hands as often as we possibly can."

— *Athlon Sports*

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Caleb Williams | 363.3 |
| RB | D'Andre Swift | 219.8 |
|  | Kyle Monangai | 179.6 |
| WR | Luther Burden III | 224.8 |
|  | Rome Odunze | 209.2 |
| TE | Colston Loveland | 206.4 |
|  | Cole Kmet | 87.3 |
| K | Cairo Santos | 136.0 |

EFP: Expected Fantasy Points

# DETROIT LIONS

JAHMYR GIBBS

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Jared Goff | 351.0 |
| RB | Jahmyr Gibbs | 349.5 |
|  | Isiah Pacheco | 110.2 |
| WR | Amon-Ra St. Brown | 319.5 |
|  | Jameson Williams | 221.3 |
|  | Isaac TeSlaa | 97.2 |
| TE | Sam LaPorta | 182.7 |
| K | Jake Bates | 164.0 |

EFP: Expected Fantasy Points

**INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM**

AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**How much will David Montgomery's departure impact everyone else's fantasy value?** Jahmyr Gibbs already was a top-five overall fantasy player, having scored more touchdowns (49) than anyone in NFL history in his first three seasons. His expanded role (67% of snaps in 2025) was a big reason Montgomery requested an offseason trade. Isiah Pacheco figures to absorb most of Montgomery's snaps and some of his goal-line opportunities. But Gibbs is poised for an even bigger workload this fall and should be considered as the RB1.

**Will Jameson Williams deliver a third straight 1,000-yard season?** Williams' big-play profile still suggests some week-to-week volatility as a fantasy starter. But his targets rose in the second half after head coach Dan Campbell took over play-calling duties, and new coordinator Drew Petzing seems likely to continue that trend. So if Williams can stay healthy and eliminate some of his drops, another 1,000-yard season is a safe bet.

**Can Sam LaPorta re-establish himself as a top-tier fantasy tight end?** All signs point to a healthy return for LaPorta, who was on pace last season to match his rookie-season TE1 production until a back injury sidelined him for the Lions' final eight games. Petzing's track record in Arizona with Trey McBride also is a good sign for LaPorta's role in Detroit's retooled scheme. So assuming LaPorta is full-go in training camp, he's a solid top-eight choice at the position.

— John Niyo, *Detroit News*

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# GREEN BAY PACKERS

MATTHEW GOLDEN

**INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM**

AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**With Romeo Doubs gone, can Matthew Golden break out in his second season?** Yes, and the Packers are counting on it. With Doubs' free-agent departure and a trade that sent Dontayvion Wicks to the Philadelphia Eagles, the Packers were undeniably clearing the runway for Golden. Now, it's up to him to take flight.

**Will Jordan Love stay healthy enough to be a reliable fantasy starter all year long?** Love missed multiple games in each of the past two seasons. As a result, he has yet to top the 32 TD passes he threw in his first year as the starter in 2023. With head coach Matt LaFleur wanting Love to use his legs a bit more, perhaps he'll add value with rushing touchdowns — he had four in 2023 but just one over the past two seasons combined.

**Can Josh Jacobs remain a touchdown machine?** While a knee injury and the Packers' underwhelming run-blocking unit hurt Jacobs' rushing yardage, he still delivered 14 touchdowns (13 rushing, one receiving) last season after putting up 16 in his first season with the Packers (15 rushing, one receiving). Jacobs stubbornly played through the bone bruise in his knee to play 16 of the Packers' 18 games (including playoffs), and it's hard to imagine him altering his tried-and-true approach — especially with no obvious No. 2 option behind him.

— Jason Wilde, *ESPN Wisconsin*

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Jordan Love | 334.0 |
| RB | Josh Jacobs | 262.0 |
| | Chris Brooks | 81.5 |
| WR | Jayden Reed | 183.2 |
| | Christian Watson | 158.7 |
| | Matthew Golden | 142.2 |
| TE | Tucker Kraft | 154.4 |
| | Luke Musgrave | 68.3 |
| K | Trey Smack (R) | 135.0 |

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# MINNESOTA VIKINGS

JUSTIN JEFFERSON

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Kyler Murray | 333.5 |
| | J.J. McCarthy | 16.6 |
| RB | Aaron Jones Sr. | 145.9 |
| | Jordan Mason | 114.0 |
| | Demond Claiborne (R) | 65.2 |
| WR | Justin Jefferson | 317.7 |
| | Jordan Addison | 157.9 |
| | Jauan Jennings | 111.3 |
| TE | T.J. Hockenson | 106.6 |
| K | Will Reichard | 165.0 |

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**INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM**

AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**Will the addition of Kyler Murray help Justin Jefferson get back to his elite fantasy production?** Yes. Murray has a lot to prove this season, but simply being better than the skittish, inaccurate, injury-prone J.J. McCarthy isn't one of them. A 67.1% career passer with 87 career starts and an elite ability to extend plays, Murray will be more poised and accurate when targeting an All-Pro receiver who owns 50-50 balls. Jefferson's dip in production last year was 100% QB-related.

**Can Aaron Jones Sr. still be a high-end fantasy starter at 31?** No. He missed five games last year because of injuries and will have his touches limited. His rushing average last year (4.2 ypc) was a career low. His total touchdowns (three) tied a career low. His carries (132) and rushing yards (548) were the lowest since his rookie year. The hope is that he can add a little juice to the passing game. But that's not enough to consider him a "high-end" starter.

**How consistent can Jordan Addison and T.J. Hockenson be in 2026?** Addison is a "buy." Hockenson is a "sell." Addison is immature and needs to grow up off the field — and he most likely will because this is a contract year for the gifted 2023 first-round pick looking to strike it filthy rich with a second contract either in Minnesota or elsewhere. The Vikings exercised the fifth-year option on him because he's worth the risks off the field. As for Hockenson, be leery. As badly as the dysfunctional quarterbacks needed him last year, he disappeared in the offense.

— Mark Craig, *Minneapolis Star-Tribune*

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# ATLANTA FALCONS

KYLE PITTS SR.

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

### AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**Will Kyle Pitts Sr. ever live up to his pre-draft hype?** I think he can with more consistent quarterback play and better coaching. He's already shown flashes of that ceiling. As a rookie catching passes from former NFL MVP Matt Ryan, Pitts recorded 1,026 receiving yards — the second-most ever by a rookie tight end at the time. The years that followed were filled with inconsistent quarterback play, and his production suffered because of it. But in 2025, Pitts bounced back with 88 catches, 928 yards and five touchdowns. With tight end-friendly head coach Kevin Stefanski now in Atlanta, and assuming the Falcons don't trade him before the season, Pitts has a strong chance to finish as a top-five fantasy tight end in 2026.

**How much will Brian Robinson Jr. cut into Bijan Robinson's workload?** With Tyler Allgeier in Arizona, Brian Robinson Jr. is the no-contest No. 2 running back in Atlanta. He can expect to see seven to 10 touches per game, as the coaching staff will likely want to keep Bijan Robinson fresh, making Brian a solid flex play in most fantasy leagues.

**Will inconsistent quarterback play keep Drake London from reaching his lofty fantasy ceiling?** Yes, inconsistent quarterback play has hurt London early in his career, but his talent has never been questioned. He showed his upside in Week 9 last season against the Patriots with nine catches, 118 yards and three touchdowns. Even with instability at quarterback, London remains a fantasy WR1 because of his volume and skill set.

— Evan Birchfield, *@TheFalcoholic*

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Tua Tagovailoa | 198.4 |
| | Michael Penix Jr. | 44.6 |
| RB | Bijan Robinson | 355.9 |
| | Brian Robinson Jr. | 63.2 |
| WR | Drake London | 249.4 |
| | Jahan Dotson | 89.5 |
| TE | Kyle Pitts Sr. | 193.6 |
| K | Nick Folk | 135.0 |

EFP: Expected Fantasy Points

# CAROLINA PANTHERS

CHUBA HUBBARD

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

### AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**Will Chuba Hubbard put up huge numbers again with Rico Dowdle gone?** That's doubtful. In 134 carries last season, Hubbard never had a run of 15 or more yards. His burst seemed to be gone, and he got demoted for long stretches behind Dowdle. This year he will enter the season as RB1, but the Panthers have high hopes for Jonathon Brooks, who is very fast when healthy. Hubbard could lose carries to both Brooks and Trevor Etienne.

**Can Xavier Legette finally live up to his first-round draft slot?** Not likely. Legette is at best a WR3 on this team, with Tetairoa McMillan and Jalen Coker both supplanting him. His problems with drops and on-field awareness mean that Bryce Young often looks elsewhere on the game's biggest plays. Legette will likely begin a lot of fantasy seasons as a free agent and would only be worth a pickup if McMillan or Coker get hurt.

**Just how good can Tetairoa McMillan be in his second season?** He could be great. McMillan had 70 catches for 1,014 yards and seven TDs as a rookie in 2025 to win Offensive Rookie of the Year honors. This year, an 80-1,200-9 season certainly seems possible. He enters the year as a clear No. 1 and will draw double coverage because of that. But the Panthers drafting speedster Chris Brazzell II will open up some of the underneath routes where McMillan thrives. McMillan feels like a good WR1 option in many leagues; Young loves him, and so he's going to get a lot of targets.

— Scott Fowler, *Charlotte Observer*

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Bryce Young | 284.3 |
| RB | Chuba Hubbard | 199.4 |
| | Jonathon Brooks | 57.8 |
| | Trevor Etienne | 46.3 |
| WR | Tetairoa McMillan | 259.2 |
| | Xavier Legette | 108.8 |
| | Jalen Coker | 106.8 |
| | Chris Brazzell II (R) | 66.6 |
| TE | Ja'Tavion Sanders | 101.6 |
| K | Ryan Fitzgerald | 125.0 |

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# NEW ORLEANS
# SAINTS

CHRIS OLAVE

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**Can Chris Olave stay healthy enough to be a reliable fantasy producer for an entire season?** Last year is proof of what's possible. Olave was on track to play 17 games for the first time in his NFL career last season before a blood clot knocked him out for the finale. Olave took off with Tyler Shough under center, hauling in 45 receptions for 603 yards and six touchdowns in his final seven games. As encouraging as last season was, anyone drafting Olave must be comfortable with the fact that his concussion issues can pop back up at any time.

**How big of an impact will first-round pick Jordyn Tyson make as a rookie?** As long as Tyson can stay healthy — which was an issue in college — he should step right into a major role as the clear No. 2 to Olave with No. 1 upside. The Saints envision Tyson as a movable chess piece within their offense, someone who can line up outside, in the slot and even occasionally from the backfield. Tyson should receive plenty of one-on-one opportunities.

**Will Alvin Kamara remain a high-end fantasy option in PPR leagues?** The risk simply isn't worth the reward with Kamara anymore — especially after the Saints committed big money to Travis Etienne Jr. in free agency. Ideally, Kamara will rediscover his early career form, when he was super efficient with limited touches. That feels like a pipe dream at this stage of his career, though.

— Luke Johnson, *New Orleans Times-Picayune*

### FANTASY DEPTH CHART

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Tyler Shough | 305.7 |
| RB | Travis Etienne Jr. | 206.1 |
| | Alvin Kamara | 179.6 |
| | Devin Neal | 42.2 |
| WR | Chris Olave | 247.6 |
| | Jordyn Tyson (R) | 152.8 |
| TE | Juwan Johnson | 160.0 |
| K | Charlie Smyth | 137.0 |

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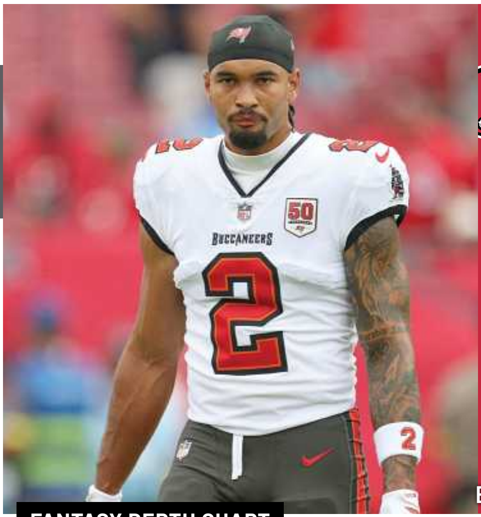
# TAMPA BAY
# BUCCANEERS


EMEKA EGBUKA

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**How much will Mike Evans' departure impact Baker Mayfield's fantasy value?** Even when Evans wasn't getting the ball in Tampa Bay's offense, the entire unit benefited from his presence, with opposing defenses being forced to roll coverages to his side of the field. That opened up 1-on-1 opportunities for other receivers, and his rare combination of size, athleticism and physicality simply can't be replaced. The Bucs still have a deep stable of talented pass-catchers (Emeka Egbuka, Chris Godwin, Jalen McMillan, Tez Johnson, third-round rookie Ted Hurst), but all of them (Mayfield included) will find their jobs harder this season without Evans taking so much attention.

**Which of the Bucs' remaining receivers will emerge as Mayfield's go-to option with Evans gone?** Rookie first-round pick Emeka Egbuka put up huge numbers early in the year, proving he can be WR1 material when healthy. He should be expected to make an even bigger impact in 2026, but Chris Godwin is the more experienced pass-catcher who has experience lining up all over the field. If he's healthy, expect Mayfield to rely on him as a possession target.

**Will Kenneth Gainwell's presence limit Bucky Irving's ceiling as a bounce-back candidate?** After an incredible rookie campaign, Irving missed a decent chunk of the 2025 season with multiple injuries. He should benefit from operating in new offensive coordinator Zac Robinson's scheme, but Gainwell's presence as a proven and productive third-down back could limit Irving's PPR upside.

— Luke Easterling, *Athlon Sports*

### FANTASY DEPTH CHART

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Baker Mayfield | 335.9 |
| RB | Bucky Irving | 205.2 |
| | Kenneth Gainwell | 124.8 |
| | Sean Tucker | 53.0 |
| WR | Emeka Egbuka | 266.2 |
| | Chris Godwin | 174.9 |
| | Jalen McMillan | 100.2 |
| | Tez Johnson | 62.5 |
| TE | Cade Otton | 131.9 |
| K | Chase McLaughlin | 171.0 |

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# ARIZONA
# CARDINALS

JEREMIYAH LOVE

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

### AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**How much will the Cards' lackluster QB situation limit their pass-catchers' fantasy value?** Despite turning to Jacoby Brissett midway through last season, the Cardinals' offense and its pass-catchers took a step forward. Both Michael Wilson and Trey McBride ate often across Brissett's 12 starts. But a lot of that production was because of a putrid rushing attack (second-worst in the league) decimated by injuries. That shouldn't be the case in 2026, with Jeremiyah Love and Tyler Allgeier new to the fold. Even then, Wilson, McBride and Marvin Harrison Jr. should still be able to get theirs with Brissett running things.

**Will Jeremiyah Love immediately be a high-volume fantasy producer?** James Conner and Trey Benson are still on the team, but it looks like the one-two punch of Love and Allgeier is what the Cardinals want. Love has three-down ability, and he's going to be utilized all over the field in new head coach Mike LaFleur's offense. There's a reason Arizona used the No. 3 overall pick on him in the draft. Even if Allgeier steals short-yardage touches, Love should make up for it elsewhere.

**Can Marvin Harrison Jr. finally live up to his predraft hype?** This is a big season for Harrison, given the struggles through his first two NFL seasons. Injuries didn't help this past year, but an offensive-minded head coach and experienced offensive coordinator should in 2026. If Harrison can shake the injury bug and eliminate some of the mental errors, the 2024 No. 4 overall pick can reenter the conversation as Arizona's top pass-catching threat behind McBride.

— Tyler Drake, *@AZSports*

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Jacoby Brissett | 235.4 |
| | Carson Beck (R) | 19.2 |
| RB | Jeremiyah Love (R) | 197.9 |
| | James Conner | 114.6 |
| | Tyler Allgeier | 89.6 |
| WR | Marvin Harrison Jr. | 188.1 |
| | Michael Wilson | 180.1 |
| TE | Trey McBride | 266.2 |
| K | Chad Ryland | 129.0 |

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# LOS ANGELES
# RAMS

KYREN WILLIAMS

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

### AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**Can Puka Nacua and Davante Adams be relied on to produce big numbers for an entire season?** This was a concern entering their first season together as a receiving duo, and the result was Nacua having an overall WR1 season in both PPR and half-PPR formats while Adams led the NFL in receiving touchdowns. Health is always a concern for these two given Nacua's physical style and Adams' age, but there's no concern that one's success will come at the expense of the other.

**Will Matthew Stafford have another MVP-level season at 38 years old?** The Rams will try to replicate the conditions that allowed Stafford that level of success, namely giving him a lighter load during the offseason and training camp so that his arm is fresh for the regular season. Entering the year with a better understanding of how Adams and second-year tight end Terrance Ferguson operate will help Stafford hit the ground running with all his pass catchers.

**Does running back Kyren Williams top 1,300 total yards and double-digit TDs for a fourth straight season?** This will be tough as backup RB Blake Corum came on strong during 2025. Corum will likely play an even bigger role in the offense in 2026. In 2025, this led to more explosive plays from Williams with fresher legs. But will that quality make up for the lack of quantity? It seems unlikely.

— Adam Grosbard, *Los Angeles Daily News/Orange County Register*

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Matthew Stafford | 337.9 |
| | Ty Simpson (R) | 11.1 |
| RB | Kyren Williams | 259.1 |
| | Blake Corum | 118.0 |
| WR | Puka Nacua | 322.5 |
| | Davante Adams | 217.1 |
| | CJ Daniels (R) | 87.4 |
| TE | Colby Parkinson | 100.0 |
| | Tyler Higbee | 63.8 |
| K | Harrison Mevis | 149.0 |

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# SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

### AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

CHRISTIAN McCAFFREY

**Will Christian McCaffrey's heavy workload prevent him from staying healthy all season?** Head coach Kyle Shanahan said he planned to ease McCaffrey's burden this season before the 49ers surprised many by using their third draft pick to make Indiana's Kaelon Black the third running back selected. Black's addition suggests Shanahan is finally serious about spelling McCaffrey more because he can see the benefit in doing so. Still, this is unlikely to resemble a backfield timeshare.

**How much will Brock Purdy benefit from the addition of Mike Evans?** The 49ers' leading wide receiver the previous two seasons was Jauan Jennings, who has never had a 1,000-yard season. Evans and Jerry Rice are the only players in NFL history to have 11 straight 1,000-yard seasons. See the difference? Purdy hasn't had a bona fide No.1 WR since he was throwing to Brandon Aiyuk in 2023. That's when Purdy had a career-best season that included 4,280 passing yards, 33 total TDs and a fourth-place finish in the NFL's MVP voting.

**Can George Kittle stay healthy enough to deliver a top-10 TE season in 2026?** There's reason to be skeptical. Kittle will turn 33 in October, and he suffered a torn Achilles in January that makes his availability for Week 1 iffy. His smashmouth style has contributed to his laundry list of injuries over his first nine seasons. Father Time is unbeaten. Fantasy drafter beware.

— Eric Branch, *San Francisco Chronicle*

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Brock Purdy | 313.0 |
| | Mac Jones | 33.7 |
| RB | Christian McCaffrey | 343.8 |
| | Kaelon Black (R) | 64.0 |
| WR | Mike Evans | 204.4 |
| | Ricky Pearsall | 126.2 |
| | Christian Kirk | 87.1 |
| TE | George Kittle | 157.2 |
| | Jake Tonges | 98.0 |
| K | Eddy Piñeiro | 135.0 |

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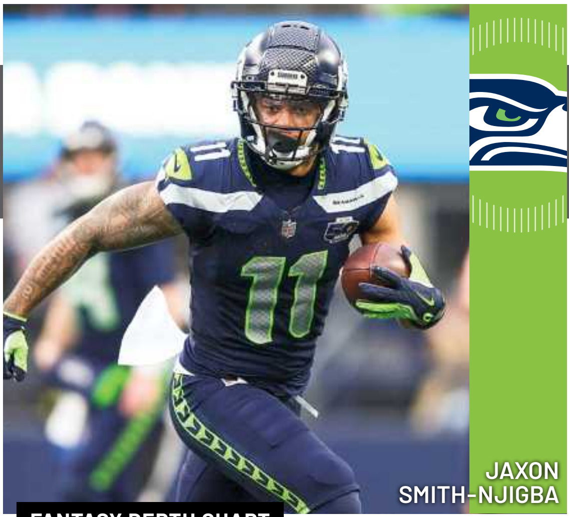
# SEATTLE SEAHAWKS



JAXON SMITH-NJIGBA

## INSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM

### AN NFL INSIDER FIELDS KEY FANTASY QUESTIONS

**Can Jaxon Smith-Njigba top his incredible numbers from last season?** Topping those numbers would be Herculean. JSN's 1,793 yards receiving last season were the eighth most in NFL history. His 10 touchdowns in 17 games were equal to his total over his first 34 games in the league. New offensive coordinator Brian Fleury arrives after serving as San Francisco's run-game coordinator, so expect Seattle to continue to be a run-first team. That could mean fewer opportunities for JSN to catch the ball rather than more.

**How big of an impact can first-round pick Jadarian Price make as a rookie?** The former backup to Jeremiyah Love at Notre Dame could match Love's rookie production. Fleury and head coach Mike Macdonald will give Price every chance to be the featured back to replace Super Bowl MVP Kenneth Walker III, who left in free agency for a rich, new deal with Kansas City. As much as Seattle intends to run the ball again — 50% of the time or more — a 1,000-yard season as a rookie isn't a far-fetched idea for the second running back taken in this year's draft behind Love.

**How valuable can Sam Darnold be as a weekly fantasy starter?** The way the Seahawks run the ball sets up what Darnold does best: play-action passing and rollouts, especially to the right-hander's left throwing across his body. The biggest area of emphasis for Darnold in 2026 is cutting down on his league-high 20 turnovers in his debut season in Seattle. If he does that even by a fraction, his fantasy value will soar.

— Gregg Bell, *Tacoma News Tribune*

**FANTASY DEPTH CHART**

| Pos. | Name | EFP |
|---|---|---|
| QB | Sam Darnold | 313.3 |
| RB | Jadarian Price (R) | 175.3 |
| | Zach Charbonnet | 92.4 |
| | Emanuel Wilson | 73.5 |
| WR | Jaxon Smith-Njigba | 352.7 |
| | Rashid Shaheed | 138.3 |
| | Cooper Kupp | 110.0 |
| TE | AJ Barner | 122.2 |
| K | Jason Myers | 202.0 |

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# 2026
# NFL SCHEDULE

### WEEK 1

**Wednesday, September 9**
New England at Seattle

**Thursday, September 10**
San Francisco vs. L.A. Rams (Melbourne)

**Sunday, September 13**
Tampa Bay at Cincinnati
New Orleans at Detroit
N.Y. Jets at Tennessee
Baltimore at Indianapolis
Atlanta at Pittsburgh
Chicago at Carolina
Cleveland at Jacksonville
Buffalo at Houston
Miami at Las Vegas
Green Bay at Minnesota
Washington at Philadelphia
Arizona at L.A. Chargers
Dallas at N.Y. Giants

**Monday, September 14**
Denver at Kansas City

### WEEK 2

**Thursday, September 17**
Detroit at Buffalo

**Sunday, September 20**
Carolina at Atlanta
Minnesota at Chicago
Philadelphia at Tennessee
Pittsburgh at New England
Green Bay at N.Y. Jets
Cleveland at Tampa Bay
New Orleans at Baltimore
Cincinnati at Houston
Jacksonville at Denver
Las Vegas at L.A. Chargers
Washington at Dallas
Seattle at Arizona
Miami at San Francisco
Indianapolis at Kansas City

**Monday, September 21**
N.Y. Giants at L.A. Rams

### WEEK 3

**Thursday, September 24**
Atlanta at Green Bay

**Sunday, September 27**
L.A. Chargers at Buffalo
Carolina at Cleveland
N.Y. Jets at Detroit
Houston at Indianapolis
Kansas City at Miami
Tennessee at N.Y. Giants
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh
Seattle at Washington
New England at Jacksonville
Arizona at San Francisco
Minnesota at Tampa Bay
Baltimore vs. Dallas (Rio de Janeiro)
Las Vegas at New Orleans
L.A. Rams at Denver

**Monday, September 28**
Philadelphia at Chicago

### WEEK 4

**Thursday, October 1**
Pittsburgh at Cleveland

**Sunday, October 4**
Indianapolis vs. Washington (London)
New England at Buffalo
N.Y. Jets at Chicago
Jacksonville at Cincinnati
Arizona at N.Y. Giants
L.A. Rams at Philadelphia
Green Bay at Tampa Bay
Tennessee at Baltimore
Dallas at Houston
Miami at Minnesota
Kansas City at Las Vegas
Denver at San Francisco
L.A. Chargers at Seattle
Detroit at Carolina

**Monday, October 5**
Atlanta at New Orleans

### WEEK 5

**Thursday, October 8**
Tampa Bay at Dallas

**Sunday, October 11**
Philadelphia vs. Jacksonville (London)
Houston at Tennessee
Cincinnati at Miami
Las Vegas at New England
Minnesota at New Orleans
Cleveland at N.Y. Jets
Indianapolis at Pittsburgh
N.Y. Giants at Washington
Denver at L.A. Chargers
Chicago at Green Bay
Detroit at Arizona
San Francisco at Seattle
Baltimore at Atlanta

**Monday, October 12**
Buffalo at L.A. Rams

**Bye:** Kansas City, Carolina

### WEEK 6

**Thursday, October 15**
Seattle at Denver

**Sunday, October 18**
Houston vs. Jacksonville (London)
Chicago at Atlanta
Baltimore at Cleveland
Tennessee at Indianapolis
N.Y. Jets at New England
New Orleans at N.Y. Giants
Carolina at Philadelphia
Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay
Arizona at L.A. Rams
L.A. Chargers at Kansas City
Buffalo at Las Vegas
Dallas at Green Bay

**Monday, October 19**
Washington at San Francisco

**Bye:** Cincinnati, Detroit, Miami, Minnesota

### WEEK 7

**Thursday, October 22**
New England at Chicago

**Sunday, October 25**
Pittsburgh vs. New Orleans (Paris)
San Francisco at Atlanta
Cleveland at Tennessee
Indianapolis at Minnesota
Miami at N.Y. Jets
Tampa Bay at Carolina
Cincinnati at Baltimore
N.Y. Giants at Houston
Denver at Arizona
Green Bay at Detroit
L.A. Rams at Las Vegas
Kansas City at Seattle

**Monday, October 26**
Dallas at Philadelphia

**Bye:** Buffalo, L.A. Chargers, Washington, Jacksonville

### WEEK 8

**Thursday, October 29**
Carolina at Green Bay

**Sunday, November 1**
Baltimore at Buffalo
Tennessee at Cincinnati
Arizona at Dallas
Minnesota at Detroit
Las Vegas at N.Y. Jets
Cleveland at Pittsburgh
Atlanta at Tampa Bay
Indianapolis at Jacksonville
L.A. Chargers at L.A. Rams
Kansas City at Denver
New England at Miami
Philadelphia at Washington

**Monday, November 2**
Chicago at Seattle

**Bye:** New Orleans, N.Y. Giants, San Francisco, Houston

### WEEK 9

**Thursday, November 5**
Jacksonville at Baltimore

**Sunday, November 8**
Cincinnati vs. Atlanta (Madrid)
Dallas at Indianapolis
N.Y. Jets at Kansas City
Detroit at Miami
Cleveland at New Orleans
N.Y. Giants at Philadelphia
L.A. Rams at Washington
Denver at Carolina
Houston at L.A. Chargers
Las Vegas at San Francisco
Green Bay at New England
Arizona at Seattle
Tampa Bay at Chicago

**Monday, November 9**
Buffalo at Minnesota

**Bye:** Tennessee, Pittsburgh

### WEEK 10

**Thursday, November 12**
Washington at N.Y. Giants

**Sunday, November 15**
New England vs. Detroit (Munich)
Kansas City at Atlanta
Houston at Cleveland
Minnesota at Green Bay
Jacksonville at Tennessee
Miami at Indianapolis
Carolina at New Orleans
Buffalo at N.Y. Jets
Seattle at Las Vegas
L.A. Rams at Arizona
San Francisco at Dallas
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati

**Monday, November 16**
L.A. Chargers at Baltimore

**Bye:** Chicago, Denver, Philadelphia, Tampa Bay

### WEEK 11

**Thursday, November 19**
Indianapolis at Houston

**Sunday, November 22**
Miami at Buffalo
New Orleans at Chicago
Tennessee at Dallas
Tampa Bay at Detroit
Arizona at Kansas City
Jacksonville at N.Y. Giants
Baltimore at Carolina
N.Y. Jets at L.A. Chargers
Las Vegas at Denver
Pittsburgh at Philadelphia
Minnesota vs. San Francisco (Mexico City)

**Monday, November 23**
Cincinnati at Washington

**Bye:** Atlanta, Cleveland, Green Bay, L.A. Rams, New England, Seattle

### WEEK 12

**Wednesday, November 25**
Green Bay at L.A. Rams

**Thursday, November 26**
Chicago at Detroit
Philadelphia at Dallas
Kansas City at Buffalo

**Friday, November 27**
Denver at Pittsburgh

**Sunday, November 29**
New Orleans at Cincinnati
Las Vegas at Cleveland
N.Y. Giants at Indianapolis
N.Y. Jets at Miami
Atlanta at Minnesota
Baltimore at Houston
Tennessee at Jacksonville
Washington at Arizona
Seattle at San Francisco
New England at L.A. Chargers

**Monday, November 30**
Carolina at Tampa Bay

### WEEK 13

**Thursday, December 3**
Kansas City at L.A. Rams

**Sunday, December 6**
Detroit at Atlanta
Jacksonville at Chicago
Cincinnati at Cleveland
Washington at Tennessee
Green Bay at New Orleans
San Francisco at N.Y. Giants
L.A. Chargers at Tampa Bay
Miami at Denver
Philadelphia at Arizona
Carolina at Minnesota
Buffalo at New England
Houston at Pittsburgh

**Monday, December 7**
Dallas at Seattle

**Bye:** Bye: Indianapolis, Las Vegas, N.Y. Jets, Baltimore

### WEEK 14

**Thursday, December 10**
Minnesota at New England

**Sunday, December 13**
Atlanta at Cleveland
Tennessee at Detroit
Chicago at Miami
Denver at N.Y. Jets
Indianapolis at Philadelphia
Houston at Washington
New Orleans at Carolina
Tampa Bay at Baltimore
L.A. Chargers at Las Vegas
Kansas City at Cincinnati
L.A. Rams at San Francisco
N.Y. Giants at Seattle
Buffalo at Green Bay

**Monday, December 14**
Pittsburgh at Jacksonville

**Bye:** Dallas, Arizona

### WEEK 15

**Thursday, December 17**
San Francisco at L.A. Chargers

**Saturday, December 19**
Seattle at Philadelphia
Chicago at Buffalo

**Sunday, December 20**
Miami at Green Bay
Indianapolis at Tennessee
Cleveland at N.Y. Giants
Baltimore at Pittsburgh
New Orleans at Tampa Bay
Atlanta at Washington
Cincinnati at Carolina
Jacksonville at Houston
N.Y. Jets at Arizona
Denver at Las Vegas
Dallas at L.A. Rams
Detroit at Minnesota

**Monday, December 21**
New England at Kansas City

### WEEK 16

**Thursday, December 24**
Houston at Philadelphia

**Friday, December 25**
Green Bay at Chicago
Buffalo at Denver
L.A. Rams at Seattle

**Sunday, December 27**
L.A. Chargers at Miami
Arizona at New Orleans
New England at N.Y. Jets
Cleveland at Baltimore
Tennessee at Las Vegas
San Francisco at Kansas City
Jacksonville at Dallas

**Monday, December 28**
N.Y. Giants at Detroit

**Flex Games - Date/Time TBA**
Tampa Bay at Atlanta
Cincinnati at Indianapolis
Washington at Minnesota
Carolina at Pittsburgh

### WEEK 17

**Thursday, December 31**
Baltimore at Cincinnati

**Sunday, January 3**
New Orleans at Atlanta
Indianapolis at Cleveland
N.Y. Giants at Dallas
Pittsburgh at Tennessee
Buffalo at Miami
Minnesota at N.Y. Jets
Seattle at Carolina
Las Vegas at Arizona
Detroit at Chicago
Philadelphia at San Francisco

**Monday, January 4**
Houston at Green Bay

**Flex Games - Date/Time TBA**
Denver at New England
Kansas City at L.A. Chargers
L.A. Rams at Tampa Bay
Washington at Jacksonville

### WEEK 18

**Flex Games - Date/Time TBA**
N.Y. Jets at Buffalo
Cleveland at Cincinnati
L.A. Chargers at Denver
Detroit at Green Bay
Jacksonville at Indianapolis
Las Vegas at Kansas City
Seattle at L.A. Rams
Chicago at Minnesota
Miami at New England
Tampa Bay at New Orleans
Philadelphia at N.Y. Giants
San Francisco at Arizona
Dallas at Washington
Atlanta at Carolina
Pittsburgh at Baltimore
Tennessee at Houston

### NFL POSTSEASON

**Wild-Card Weekend**
Saturday, January 16
Sunday, January 17
Monday, January 18

**Divisional Playoffs**
Saturday, January 23
Sunday, January 24

**AFC and NFC Championship**
Sunday, January 31

**Super Bowl LXI**
Sunday, February 14 2027 • SoFi Stadium in Inglewood, California

# 2025 TOP FANTASY SCORERS

| PLAYER | POS | TOTAL PTS. | PPG | GP* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Christian McCaffrey | RB | 416.6 | 24.5 | 17 |
| Josh Allen | QB | 411.3 | 24.2 | 17 |
| Matthew Stafford | QB | 405.5 | 23.9 | 17 |
| Drake Maye | QB | 403.9 | 23.8 | 17 |
| Trevor Lawrence | QB | 390.3 | 23.0 | 17 |
| Puka Nacua | WR | 375.0 | 23.4 | 16 |
| Bijan Robinson | RB | 370.8 | 21.8 | 17 |
| Dak Prescott | QB | 369.3 | 21.7 | 17 |
| Jahmyr Gibbs | RB | 366.9 | 21.6 | 17 |
| Caleb Williams | QB | 365.1 | 21.5 | 17 |
| Jonathan Taylor | RB | 362.3 | 21.3 | 17 |
| Jaxon Smith-Njigba | WR | 359.9 | 21.2 | 17 |
| Bo Nix | QB | 355.2 | 20.9 | 17 |
| Jared Goff | QB | 350.7 | 20.6 | 17 |
| Jalen Hurts | QB | 337.3 | 21.1 | 16 |
| Justin Herbert | QB | 337.2 | 21.1 | 16 |
| Patrick Mahomes | QB | 332.6 | 23.8 | 14 |
| Amon-Ra St. Brown | WR | 324.0 | 19.1 | 17 |
| De'Von Achane | RB | 322.8 | 20.2 | 16 |
| Baker Mayfield | QB | 319.9 | 18.8 | 17 |
| Trey McBride | TE | 315.9 | 18.6 | 17 |
| Ja'Marr Chase | WR | 313.6 | 19.6 | 16 |
| James Cook III | RB | 302.2 | 17.8 | 17 |
| George Pickens | WR | 291.9 | 17.2 | 17 |
| Sam Darnold | QB | 289.9 | 17.1 | 17 |
| Chase Brown | RB | 282.6 | 16.6 | 17 |
| Derrick Henry | RB | 279.5 | 16.4 | 17 |
| Jordan Love | QB | 275.0 | 18.3 | 15 |
| Chris Olave | WR | 270.0 | 16.9 | 16 |
| Jaxson Dart | QB | 269.3 | 19.2 | 14 |
| Jacoby Brissett | QB | 269.1 | 19.2 | 14 |
| Aaron Rodgers | QB | 267.3 | 16.7 | 16 |
| Daniel Jones | QB | 265.5 | 20.4 | 13 |
| Kyren Williams | RB | 263.3 | 15.5 | 17 |
| Bryce Young | QB | 259.2 | 16.2 | 16 |
| Travis Etienne Jr. | RB | 253.9 | 14.9 | 17 |
| Lamar Jackson | QB | 247.4 | 19.0 | 13 |
| C.J. Stroud | QB | 247.0 | 17.6 | 14 |
| Ashton Jeanty | RB | 245.1 | 14.4 | 17 |
| Zay Flowers | WR | 243.3 | 14.3 | 17 |
| Javonte Williams | RB | 242.8 | 15.2 | 16 |
| Josh Jacobs | RB | 237.1 | 15.8 | 15 |
| Saquon Barkley | RB | 232.3 | 14.5 | 16 |
| D'Andre Swift | RB | 228.6 | 14.3 | 16 |
| Nico Collins | WR | 226.2 | 15.1 | 15 |
| Cam Ward | QB | 225.4 | 13.3 | 17 |
| Davante Adams | WR | 222.9 | 15.9 | 14 |
| Kenneth Gainwell | RB | 221.3 | 13.0 | 17 |
| Geno Smith | QB | 221.2 | 14.7 | 15 |
| Michael Wilson | WR | 220.6 | 13.0 | 17 |
| A.J. Brown | WR | 220.3 | 14.7 | 15 |
| Jameson Williams | WR | 219.9 | 12.9 | 17 |
| Courtland Sutton | WR | 219.7 | 12.9 | 17 |
| Wan'Dale Robinson | WR | 217.9 | 13.6 | 16 |
| Jaylen Warren | RB | 217.1 | 13.6 | 16 |
| Rico Dowdle | RB | 216.3 | 12.7 | 17 |
| Tee Higgins | WR | 211.6 | 14.1 | 15 |
| Tetairoa McMillan | WR | 211.4 | 12.4 | 17 |
| Kyle Pitts Sr. | TE | 210.8 | 12.4 | 17 |
| Stefon Diggs | WR | 210.3 | 12.4 | 17 |
| Brock Purdy | QB | 209.1 | 23.2 | 9 |
| Breece Hall | RB | 207.7 | 13.0 | 16 |
| RJ Harvey | RB | 206.6 | 12.2 | 17 |
| TreVeyon Henderson | RB | 206.2 | 12.1 | 17 |
| Michael Pittman Jr. | WR | 202.4 | 11.9 | 17 |
| Tua Tagovailoa | QB | 202.3 | 14.5 | 14 |
| Drake London | WR | 201.9 | 16.8 | 12 |
| DeVonta Smith | WR | 201.8 | 11.9 | 17 |
| Justin Jefferson | WR | 201.5 | 11.9 | 17 |
| CeeDee Lamb | WR | 200.9 | 14.4 | 14 |
| Jaylen Waddle | WR | 193.8 | 12.1 | 16 |
| Emeka Egbuka | WR | 193.7 | 11.4 | 17 |
| Kenneth Walker III | RB | 191.9 | 11.3 | 17 |
| Travis Kelce | TE | 191.2 | 11.2 | 17 |
| Tyler Warren | TE | 188.5 | 11.1 | 17 |
| Deebo Samuel Sr. | WR | 188.2 | 11.8 | 16 |
| Jake Ferguson | TE | 188.1 | 11.1 | 17 |
| Tyler Shough | QB | 187.8 | 17.1 | 11 |
| DK Metcalf | WR | 187.2 | 12.5 | 15 |
| Harold Fannin Jr. | TE | 186.4 | 11.7 | 16 |
| Tony Pollard | RB | 185.8 | 10.9 | 17 |
| Dallas Goedert | TE | 185.1 | 12.3 | 15 |
| Alec Pierce | WR | 183.3 | 12.2 | 15 |
| Keenan Allen | WR | 182.7 | 10.7 | 17 |
| Joe Flacco | QB | 181.5 | 14.0 | 13 |
| Zach Charbonnet | RB | 181.4 | 11.3 | 16 |
| Ladd McConkey | WR | 180.9 | 11.3 | 16 |
| Juwan Johnson | TE | 179.9 | 10.6 | 17 |
| Rhamondre Stevenson | RB | 178.8 | 12.8 | 14 |
| Hunter Henry | TE | 178.8 | 10.5 | 17 |
| Dalton Schultz | TE | 177.7 | 10.5 | 17 |
| Troy Franklin | WR | 177.1 | 10.4 | 17 |
| Brock Bowers | TE | 176.2 | 14.7 | 12 |
| Jakobi Meyers | WR | 175.8 | 11.0 | 16 |
| Jauan Jennings | WR | 173.3 | 11.6 | 15 |
| Parker Washington | WR | 172.7 | 10.8 | 16 |
| Quentin Johnston | WR | 171.2 | 12.2 | 14 |
| Quinshon Judkins | RB | 169.8 | 12.1 | 14 |
| David Montgomery | RB | 167.0 | 9.8 | 17 |
| Khalil Shakir | WR | 166.4 | 10.4 | 16 |
| DJ Moore | WR | 166.1 | 9.8 | 17 |
| Romeo Doubs | WR | 165.4 | 10.3 | 16 |
| Colston Loveland | TE | 165.1 | 10.3 | 16 |
| Tre Tucker | WR | 161.7 | 9.5 | 17 |
| George Kittle | TE | 161.5 | 14.7 | 11 |
| Tyrone Tracy Jr. | RB | 160.8 | 10.7 | 15 |
| Mac Jones | QB | 157.6 | 14.3 | 11 |
| Joe Burrow | QB | 157.6 | 19.7 | 8 |
| Justin Fields | QB | 156.3 | 17.4 | 9 |
| J.J. McCarthy | QB | 153.7 | 15.4 | 10 |
| Rashee Rice | WR | 150.1 | 18.8 | 8 |
| Marcus Mariota | QB | 149.5 | 13.6 | 11 |
| AJ Barner | TE | 147.3 | 8.7 | 17 |
| Kyle Monangai | RB | 146.7 | 8.6 | 17 |
| Rome Odunze | WR | 146.1 | 12.2 | 12 |
| Kareem Hunt | RB | 145.4 | 8.6 | 17 |
| Woody Marks | RB | 145.1 | 9.1 | 16 |
| Rashid Shaheed | WR | 144.6 | 8.0 | 18 |
| Michael Penix Jr. | QB | 143.1 | 15.9 | 9 |
| Rachaad White | RB | 143.0 | 8.4 | 17 |
| Jacory Croskey-Merritt | RB | 140.3 | 8.3 | 17 |
| Brian Thomas Jr. | WR | 138.8 | 9.9 | 14 |
| Bucky Irving | RB | 138.5 | 13.9 | 10 |
| Hollywood Brown | WR | 137.7 | 8.6 | 16 |
| Josh Downs | WR | 136.4 | 8.5 | 16 |
| Omarion Hampton | RB | 135.7 | 15.1 | 9 |
| Jordan Addison | WR | 135.1 | 9.7 | 14 |
| Christian Watson | WR | 132.4 | 13.2 | 10 |
| Oronde Gadsden | TE | 131.4 | 8.8 | 15 |
| Mark Andrews | TE | 131.0 | 7.7 | 17 |
| Jayden Daniels | QB | 129.9 | 18.6 | 7 |
| Colby Parkinson | TE | 129.8 | 8.7 | 15 |
| Jayden Higgins | WR | 129.5 | 7.6 | 17 |
| Jordan Mason | RB | 128.9 | 8.1 | 16 |
| Luther Burden III | WR | 127.9 | 8.5 | 15 |
| Marvin Harrison Jr. | WR | 127.8 | 10.7 | 12 |
| Theo Johnson | TE | 127.8 | 8.5 | 15 |
| Cam Skattebo | RB | 127.7 | 16.0 | 8 |
| Zach Ertz | TE | 126.4 | 9.7 | 13 |
| Dalton Kincaid | TE | 126.1 | 10.5 | 12 |
| Kirk Cousins | QB | 125.8 | 12.6 | 10 |
| Chuba Hubbard | RB | 125.4 | 8.4 | 15 |
| Kayshon Boutte | WR | 124.1 | 8.9 | 14 |
| Chig Okonkwo | TE | 124.0 | 7.3 | 17 |
| Tyler Allgeier | RB | 123.0 | 7.2 | 17 |
| Cade Otton | TE | 122.2 | 7.6 | 16 |
| Blake Corum | RB | 122.2 | 7.2 | 17 |
| Jerry Jeudy | WR | 120.7 | 7.1 | 17 |
| Spencer Rattler | QB | 120.0 | 13.3 | 9 |
| Aaron Jones Sr. | RB | 118.7 | 9.9 | 12 |
| Brenton Strange | TE | 118.0 | 9.8 | 12 |
| Kimani Vidal | RB | 117.9 | 9.1 | 13 |
| Cooper Kupp | WR | 117.3 | 7.3 | 16 |
| Tucker Kraft | TE | 117.2 | 14.7 | 8 |
| Elic Ayomanor | WR | 116.5 | 7.3 | 16 |
| J.K. Dobbins | RB | 115.9 | 11.6 | 10 |
| Terry McLaurin | WR | 114.2 | 11.4 | 10 |
| Chimere Dike | WR | 114.1 | 6.7 | 17 |
| Ryan Flournoy | WR | 114.0 | 7.1 | 16 |
| Pat Freiermuth | TE | 113.6 | 6.7 | 17 |
| Mack Hollins | WR | 113.4 | 7.6 | 15 |
| T.J. Hockenson | TE | 112.8 | 7.5 | 15 |
| Tyjae Spears | RB | 111.7 | 8.6 | 13 |
| Malik Washington | WR | 110.7 | 6.5 | 17 |
| Xavier Worthy | WR | 109.9 | 7.9 | 14 |
| Shedeur Sanders | QB | 108.9 | 13.6 | 8 |
| Devin Singletary | RB | 108.8 | 6.4 | 17 |
| Sam LaPorta | TE | 106.9 | 11.9 | 9 |
| Dawson Knox | TE | 103.7 | 6.1 | 17 |
| Evan Engram | TE | 102.8 | 6.4 | 16 |
| Keon Coleman | WR | 102.4 | 7.9 | 13 |
| Alvin Kamara | RB | 100.7 | 9.2 | 11 |
| Ty Johnson | RB | 100.3 | 5.9 | 17 |
| Garrett Wilson | WR | 99.5 | 14.2 | 7 |
| Michael Carter | RB | 99.0 | 7.6 | 13 |
| Darius Slayton | WR | 98.8 | 7.1 | 14 |
| Jalen Nailor | WR | 98.7 | 5.8 | 17 |
| Xavier Hutchinson | WR | 98.0 | 5.8 | 17 |
| DeMario Douglas | WR | 95.8 | 5.6 | 17 |
| Emanuel Wilson | RB | 94.5 | 5.6 | 17 |
| Jake Tonges | TE | 93.3 | 5.5 | 17 |
| Bam Knight | RB | 92.9 | 7.7 | 12 |
| Tez Johnson | WR | 92.4 | 5.8 | 16 |

# 2025 TARGET LEADERS

| PLAYER | POS | TEAM | TARGETS | REC | REC-YDS | REC TD | FP | GP* | PPG |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ja'Marr Chase | WR | CIN | 185 | 125 | 1,412 | 8 | 313.6 | 16 | 19.6 |
| Amon-Ra St. Brown | WR | DET | 172 | 117 | 1,401 | 11 | 324.0 | 17 | 19.1 |
| Trey McBride | TE | ARI | 169 | 126 | 1,239 | 11 | 315.9 | 17 | 18.6 |
| Puka Nacua | WR | LAR | 166 | 129 | 1,715 | 10 | 375.0 | 16 | 23.4 |
| Jaxon Smith-Njigba | WR | SEA | 163 | 119 | 1,793 | 10 | 359.9 | 17 | 21.2 |
| Chris Olave | WR | NO | 156 | 100 | 1,163 | 9 | 269.0 | 16 | 16.8 |
| Justin Jefferson | WR | MIN | 141 | 84 | 1,048 | 2 | 201.5 | 17 | 11.9 |
| Wan'Dale Robinson | WR | NYG | 140 | 92 | 1,014 | 4 | 217.9 | 16 | 13.6 |
| George Pickens | WR | DAL | 137 | 93 | 1,429 | 9 | 291.9 | 17 | 17.2 |
| Christian McCaffrey | RB | SF | 129 | 102 | 924 | 7 | 416.6 | 17 | 24.5 |
| Emeka Egbuka | WR | TB | 127 | 63 | 938 | 6 | 195.7 | 17 | 11.5 |
| Michael Wilson | WR | ARI | 126 | 78 | 1,006 | 7 | 220.6 | 17 | 13.0 |
| Courtland Sutton | WR | DEN | 124 | 74 | 1,017 | 7 | 219.7 | 17 | 12.9 |
| Keenan Allen | WR | LAC | 122 | 81 | 777 | 4 | 182.7 | 17 | 10.7 |
| Tetairoa McMillan | WR | CAR | 122 | 70 | 1,014 | 7 | 211.4 | 17 | 12.4 |
| A.J. Brown | WR | PHI | 121 | 78 | 1,003 | 7 | 220.3 | 15 | 14.7 |
| Nico Collins | WR | HOU | 120 | 71 | 1,117 | 6 | 226.2 | 15 | 15.1 |
| Kyle Pitts Sr. | TE | ATL | 118 | 88 | 928 | 5 | 210.8 | 17 | 12.4 |
| Zay Flowers | WR | BAL | 118 | 86 | 1,211 | 5 | 243.3 | 17 | 14.3 |
| CeeDee Lamb | WR | DAL | 117 | 75 | 1,077 | 3 | 200.9 | 14 | 14.4 |
| Davante Adams | WR | LAR | 114 | 60 | 789 | 14 | 222.9 | 14 | 15.9 |
| DeVonta Smith | WR | PHI | 113 | 77 | 1,008 | 4 | 201.8 | 17 | 11.9 |
| Tyler Warren | TE | IND | 112 | 76 | 817 | 4 | 188.5 | 17 | 11.1 |
| Drake London | WR | ATL | 112 | 68 | 919 | 7 | 201.9 | 12 | 16.8 |
| Michael Pittman Jr. | WR | IND | 111 | 80 | 784 | 7 | 202.4 | 17 | 11.9 |
| Jakobi Meyers | WR | LV/JAC | 110 | 75 | 835 | 3 | 175.8 | 16 | 11.0 |
| Travis Kelce | TE | KC | 108 | 76 | 851 | 5 | 193.2 | 17 | 11.4 |
| Harold Fannin Jr. | TE | CLE | 107 | 72 | 731 | 6 | 186.4 | 16 | 11.7 |
| Dalton Schultz | TE | HOU | 106 | 82 | 777 | 3 | 177.7 | 17 | 10.5 |
| Ladd McConkey | WR | LAC | 106 | 66 | 789 | 6 | 180.9 | 16 | 11.3 |
| Jerry Jeudy | WR | CLE | 106 | 50 | 602 | 2 | 120.7 | 17 | 7.1 |
| Troy Franklin | WR | DEN | 104 | 65 | 709 | 6 | 177.1 | 17 | 10.4 |
| Bijan Robinson | RB | ATL | 103 | 79 | 820 | 4 | 370.8 | 17 | 21.8 |
| Stefon Diggs | WR | NE | 102 | 85 | 1,013 | 4 | 210.3 | 17 | 12.4 |
| Jake Ferguson | TE | DAL | 102 | 82 | 600 | 8 | 188.1 | 17 | 11.1 |
| Juwan Johnson | TE | NO | 102 | 77 | 889 | 3 | 179.9 | 17 | 10.6 |
| Jameson Williams | WR | DET | 102 | 65 | 1,117 | 7 | 219.9 | 17 | 12.9 |
| Jaylen Waddle | WR | MIA | 100 | 64 | 910 | 6 | 194.2 | 16 | 12.1 |
| Deebo Samuel Sr. | WR | WAS | 99 | 72 | 727 | 5 | 188.2 | 16 | 11.8 |
| DK Metcalf | WR | PIT | 99 | 59 | 850 | 6 | 187.2 | 15 | 12.5 |
| Tee Higgins | WR | CIN | 98 | 59 | 846 | 11 | 211.6 | 15 | 14.1 |
| Khalil Shakir | WR | BUF | 95 | 72 | 719 | 4 | 166.4 | 16 | 10.4 |
| Parker Washington | WR | JAC | 95 | 58 | 847 | 5 | 172.7 | 16 | 10.8 |
| Jahmyr Gibbs | RB | DET | 94 | 77 | 616 | 5 | 366.9 | 17 | 21.6 |
| Rashid Shaheed | WR | NO/SEA | 92 | 59 | 687 | 2 | 144.6 | 18 | 8.0 |
| Tre Tucker | WR | LV | 92 | 57 | 696 | 5 | 161.7 | 17 | 9.5 |
| Brian Thomas Jr. | WR | JAC | 91 | 48 | 707 | 2 | 138.8 | 14 | 9.9 |
| Jauan Jennings | WR | SF | 90 | 55 | 643 | 9 | 173.3 | 15 | 11.6 |
| Rome Odunze | WR | CHI | 90 | 44 | 661 | 6 | 146.1 | 12 | 12.2 |
| Elic Ayomanor | WR | TEN | 89 | 41 | 515 | 4 | 116.5 | 16 | 7.3 |
| Chase Brown | RB | CIN | 88 | 69 | 437 | 5 | 282.6 | 17 | 16.6 |
| Josh Downs | WR | IND | 88 | 58 | 566 | 4 | 136.4 | 16 | 8.5 |
| Hunter Henry | TE | NE | 87 | 60 | 768 | 7 | 178.8 | 17 | 10.5 |
| Brock Bowers | TE | LV | 86 | 64 | 680 | 7 | 176.2 | 12 | 14.7 |
| Kenneth Gainwell | RB | PIT | 85 | 73 | 486 | 3 | 221.3 | 17 | 13.0 |
| De'Von Achane | RB | MIA | 85 | 67 | 488 | 4 | 322.8 | 16 | 20.2 |
| Romeo Doubs | WR | GB | 85 | 55 | 724 | 6 | 165.4 | 16 | 10.3 |
| DJ Moore | WR | CHI | 85 | 50 | 682 | 6 | 170.2 | 17 | 10.0 |
| Quentin Johnston | WR | LAC | 84 | 51 | 735 | 8 | 171.2 | 14 | 12.2 |
| Alec Pierce | WR | IND | 84 | 47 | 1,003 | 6 | 183.3 | 15 | 12.2 |
| Dallas Goedert | TE | PHI | 82 | 60 | 591 | 11 | 185.1 | 15 | 12.3 |

# 2025 RUSHING

| PLAYER | POS | TEAM | GP | YARDS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| James Cook III | RB | BUF | 17 | 1,621 |
| Derrick Henry | RB | BAL | 17 | 1,595 |
| Jonathan Taylor | RB | IND | 17 | 1,585 |
| Bijan Robinson | RB | ATL | 17 | 1,478 |
| De'Von Achane | RB | MIA | 16 | 1,350 |
| Kyren Williams | RB | LAR | 17 | 1,252 |
| Jahmyr Gibbs | RB | DET | 17 | 1,223 |
| Christian McCaffrey | RB | SF | 17 | 1,202 |
| Javonte Williams | RB | DAL | 16 | 1,201 |
| Saquon Barkley | RB | PHI | 16 | 1,140 |
| Travis Etienne Jr. | RB | JAC | 17 | 1,107 |
| D'Andre Swift | RB | CHI | 16 | 1,087 |
| Tony Pollard | RB | TEN | 17 | 1,082 |
| Rico Dowdle | RB | CAR | 17 | 1,076 |
| Breece Hall | RB | NYJ | 16 | 1,065 |
| Kenneth Walker III | RB | SEA | 17 | 1,027 |
| Chase Brown | RB | CIN | 17 | 1,019 |
| Ashton Jeanty | RB | LV | 17 | 975 |
| Jaylen Warren | RB | PIT | 16 | 958 |
| Josh Jacobs | RB | GB | 15 | 929 |
| TreVeyon Henderson | RB | NE | 17 | 911 |
| Quinshon Judkins | RB | CLE | 14 | 827 |
| Jacory Croskey-Merritt | RB | WAS | 17 | 805 |
| Kyle Monangai | RB | CHI | 17 | 783 |
| J.K. Dobbins | RB | DEN | 10 | 772 |
| Jordan Mason | RB | MIN | 16 | 758 |
| Blake Corum | RB | LAR | 17 | 746 |
| Tyrone Tracy Jr. | RB | NYG | 15 | 740 |
| Zach Charbonnet | RB | SEA | 16 | 730 |
| David Montgomery | RB | DET | 17 | 716 |
| Woody Marks | RB | HOU | 16 | 703 |
| Kimani Vidal | RB | LAC | 13 | 643 |
| Kareem Hunt | RB | KC | 17 | 611 |
| Rhamondre Stevenson | RB | NE | 14 | 603 |
| Bucky Irving | RB | TB | 10 | 588 |
| Josh Allen | QB | BUF | 17 | 579 |
| Rachaad White | RB | TB | 17 | 572 |
| Aaron Jones Sr. | RB | MIN | 12 | 548 |
| Omarion Hampton | RB | LAC | 9 | 545 |
| RJ Harvey | RB | DEN | 17 | 540 |
| Kenneth Gainwell | RB | PIT | 17 | 537 |
| Tyler Allgeier | RB | ATL | 17 | 514 |
| Chuba Hubbard | RB | CAR | 15 | 511 |
| Nick Chubb | RB | HOU | 15 | 506 |
| Chris Rodriguez Jr. | RB | WAS | 13 | 500 |
| Justin Herbert | QB | LAC | 16 | 498 |
| Emanuel Wilson | RB | GB | 17 | 496 |
| Jaxson Dart | QB | NYG | 14 | 487 |
| Alvin Kamara | RB | NO | 11 | 471 |
| Isiah Pacheco | RB | KC | 13 | 462 |
| Drake Maye | QB | NE | 17 | 450 |
| Devin Singletary | RB | NYG | 17 | 437 |
| Patrick Mahomes | QB | KC | 14 | 422 |
| Jalen Hurts | QB | PHI | 16 | 421 |
| Cam Skattebo | RB | NYG | 8 | 410 |
| Brian Robinson Jr. | RB | SF | 17 | 400 |
| Caleb Williams | QB | CHI | 17 | 388 |
| Justin Fields | QB | NYJ | 9 | 383 |
| Baker Mayfield | QB | TB | 17 | 382 |
| Samaje Perine | RB | CIN | 15 | 382 |
| Trevor Lawrence | QB | JAC | 17 | 359 |

# 2025 RUSHING TDs

| PLAYER | POS | TEAM | GP | TDs |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jonathan Taylor | RB | IND | 17 | 18 |
| Derrick Henry | RB | BAL | 17 | 16 |
| Josh Allen | QB | BUF | 17 | 14 |
| Jahmyr Gibbs | RB | DET | 17 | 13 |
| Josh Jacobs | RB | GB | 15 | 13 |
| James Cook III | RB | BUF | 17 | 12 |
| Zach Charbonnet | RB | SEA | 16 | 12 |
| Javonte Williams | RB | DAL | 16 | 11 |
| Kyren Williams | RB | LAR | 17 | 10 |
| Christian McCaffrey | RB | SF | 17 | 10 |
| D'Andre Swift | RB | CHI | 16 | 9 |
| TreVeyon Henderson | RB | NE | 17 | 9 |
| Jaxson Dart | QB | NYG | 14 | 9 |
| Trevor Lawrence | QB | JAC | 17 | 9 |
| De'Von Achane | RB | MIA | 16 | 8 |
| Jacory Croskey-Merritt | RB | WAS | 17 | 8 |
| David Montgomery | RB | DET | 17 | 8 |
| Kareem Hunt | RB | KC | 17 | 8 |
| Tyler Allgeier | RB | ATL | 17 | 8 |
| Jalen Hurts | QB | PHI | 16 | 8 |
| Bijan Robinson | RB | ATL | 17 | 7 |
| Saquon Barkley | RB | PHI | 16 | 7 |
| Travis Etienne Jr. | RB | JAC | 17 | 7 |
| Quinshon Judkins | RB | CLE | 14 | 7 |
| Rhamondre Stevenson | RB | NE | 14 | 7 |
| RJ Harvey | RB | DEN | 17 | 7 |
| Sean Tucker | RB | TB | 17 | 7 |
| Rico Dowdle | RB | CAR | 17 | 6 |
| Chase Brown | RB | CIN | 17 | 6 |
| Jaylen Warren | RB | PIT | 16 | 6 |
| Jordan Mason | RB | MIN | 16 | 6 |
| Blake Corum | RB | LAR | 17 | 6 |
| Chris Rodriguez Jr. | RB | WAS | 13 | 6 |
| Tony Pollard | RB | TEN | 17 | 5 |
| Kenneth Walker III | RB | SEA | 17 | 5 |
| Ashton Jeanty | RB | LV | 17 | 5 |
| Kyle Monangai | RB | CHI | 17 | 5 |
| Kenneth Gainwell | RB | PIT | 17 | 5 |
| Devin Singletary | RB | NYG | 17 | 5 |
| Patrick Mahomes | QB | KC | 14 | 5 |
| Cam Skattebo | RB | NYG | 8 | 5 |
| Bo Nix | QB | DEN | 17 | 5 |
| Bhayshul Tuten | RB | JAC | 15 | 5 |
| Daniel Jones | QB | IND | 13 | 5 |
| Breece Hall | RB | NYJ | 16 | 4 |
| J.K. Dobbins | RB | DEN | 10 | 4 |
| Rachaad White | RB | TB | 17 | 4 |
| Omarion Hampton | RB | LAC | 9 | 4 |
| Drake Maye | QB | NE | 17 | 4 |
| Justin Fields | QB | NYJ | 9 | 4 |
| Bam Knight | RB | ARI | 12 | 4 |
| J.J. McCarthy | QB | MIN | 10 | 4 |
| Kimani Vidal | RB | LAC | 13 | 3 |
| Nick Chubb | RB | HOU | 15 | 3 |
| Emanuel Wilson | RB | GB | 17 | 3 |
| Caleb Williams | QB | CHI | 17 | 3 |
| Samaje Perine | RB | CIN | 15 | 3 |
| Ty Johnson | RB | BUF | 17 | 3 |
| Ollie Gordon II | RB | MIA | 17 | 3 |
| Tyler Shough | QB | NO | 11 | 3 |
| Brock Purdy | QB | SF | 9 | 3 |
| 20 Players Tied With 2 | | | | |

# 2025 PASSING

| PLAYER | POS | TEAM | GP | YARDS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Matthew Stafford | QB | LAR | 17 | 4,707 |
| Jared Goff | QB | DET | 17 | 4,564 |
| Dak Prescott | QB | DAL | 17 | 4,552 |
| Drake Maye | QB | NE | 17 | 4,394 |
| Sam Darnold | QB | SEA | 17 | 4,048 |
| Trevor Lawrence | QB | JAC | 17 | 4,007 |
| Caleb Williams | QB | CHI | 17 | 3,942 |
| Bo Nix | QB | DEN | 17 | 3,931 |
| Justin Herbert | QB | LAC | 16 | 3,727 |
| Baker Mayfield | QB | TB | 17 | 3,693 |
| Josh Allen | QB | BUF | 17 | 3,668 |
| Patrick Mahomes | QB | KC | 14 | 3,587 |
| Jordan Love | QB | GB | 15 | 3,381 |
| Jacoby Brissett | QB | ARI | 14 | 3,366 |
| Aaron Rodgers | QB | PIT | 16 | 3,322 |
| Jalen Hurts | QB | PHI | 16 | 3,224 |
| Cam Ward | QB | TEN | 17 | 3,169 |
| Daniel Jones | QB | IND | 13 | 3,101 |
| C.J. Stroud | QB | HOU | 14 | 3,041 |
| Geno Smith | QB | LV | 15 | 3,025 |
| Bryce Young | QB | CAR | 16 | 3,011 |
| Tua Tagovailoa | QB | MIA | 14 | 2,660 |
| Lamar Jackson | QB | BAL | 13 | 2,549 |
| Joe Flacco | QB | CLE/CIN | 13 | 2,479 |
| Tyler Shough | QB | NO | 11 | 2,384 |
| Jaxson Dart | QB | NYG | 14 | 2,272 |
| Brock Purdy | QB | SF | 9 | 2,167 |
| Mac Jones | QB | SF | 11 | 2,151 |
| Michael Penix Jr. | QB | ATL | 9 | 1,982 |
| Joe Burrow | QB | CIN | 8 | 1,809 |
| Kirk Cousins | QB | ATL | 10 | 1,721 |
| Marcus Mariota | QB | WAS | 11 | 1,695 |
| J.J. McCarthy | QB | MIN | 10 | 1,632 |
| Spencer Rattler | QB | NO | 9 | 1,586 |
| Shedeur Sanders | QB | CLE | 8 | 1,400 |
| Jayden Daniels | QB | WAS | 7 | 1,262 |
| Justin Fields | QB | NYJ | 9 | 1,259 |
| Carson Wentz | QB | MIN | 5 | 1,216 |
| Kyler Murray | QB | ARI | 5 | 962 |
| Dillon Gabriel | QB | CLE | 10 | 937 |
| Davis Mills | QB | HOU | 6 | 915 |
| Russell Wilson | QB | NYG | 6 | 831 |
| Tyrod Taylor | QB | NYJ | 6 | 779 |
| Jake Browning | QB | CIN | 5 | 771 |
| Brady Cook | QB | NYJ | 5 | 739 |
| Quinn Ewers | QB | MIA | 4 | 622 |
| Jameis Winston | QB | NYG | 3 | 567 |
| Philip Rivers | QB | IND | 3 | 544 |
| Tyler Huntley | QB | BAL | 5 | 426 |
| Malik Willis | QB | GB | 4 | 422 |
| Riley Leonard | QB | IND | 5 | 415 |
| Josh Johnson | QB | WAS | 5 | 372 |
| Max Brosmer | QB | MIN | 7 | 328 |
| Mitchell Trubisky | QB | BUF | 4 | 313 |
| Mason Rudolph | QB | PIT | 5 | 310 |
| Cooper Rush | QB | BAL | 4 | 303 |
| Andy Dalton | QB | CAR | 4 | 293 |
| Tanner McKee | QB | PHI | 4 | 274 |
| Chris Oladokun | QB | KC | 3 | 235 |
| Trey Lance | QB | LAC | 4 | 226 |
| Kenny Pickett | QB | LV | 6 | 188 |
| Joe Milton III | QB | DAL | 4 | 183 |

# 2025 PASSING TDs

| PLAYER | POS | TEAM | GP | TDS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Matthew Stafford | QB | LAR | 17 | 46 |
| Jared Goff | QB | DET | 17 | 34 |
| Drake Maye | QB | NE | 17 | 31 |
| Dak Prescott | QB | DAL | 17 | 30 |
| Trevor Lawrence | QB | JAC | 17 | 29 |
| Caleb Williams | QB | CHI | 17 | 27 |
| Justin Herbert | QB | LAC | 16 | 26 |
| Baker Mayfield | QB | TB | 17 | 26 |
| Sam Darnold | QB | SEA | 17 | 25 |
| Bo Nix | QB | DEN | 17 | 25 |
| Josh Allen | QB | BUF | 17 | 25 |
| Jalen Hurts | QB | PHI | 16 | 25 |
| Aaron Rodgers | QB | PIT | 16 | 24 |
| Jordan Love | QB | GB | 15 | 23 |
| Jacoby Brissett | QB | ARI | 14 | 23 |
| Bryce Young | QB | CAR | 16 | 23 |
| Patrick Mahomes | QB | KC | 14 | 22 |
| Lamar Jackson | QB | BAL | 13 | 21 |
| Tua Tagovailoa | QB | MIA | 14 | 20 |
| Brock Purdy | QB | SF | 9 | 20 |
| Daniel Jones | QB | IND | 13 | 19 |
| C.J. Stroud | QB | HOU | 14 | 19 |
| Geno Smith | QB | LV | 15 | 19 |
| Joe Burrow | QB | CIN | 8 | 17 |
| Cam Ward | QB | TEN | 17 | 15 |
| Joe Flacco | QB | CLE/CIN | 13 | 15 |
| Jaxson Dart | QB | NYG | 14 | 15 |
| Mac Jones | QB | SF | 11 | 13 |
| J.J. McCarthy | QB | MIN | 10 | 11 |
| Tyler Shough | QB | NO | 11 | 10 |
| Kirk Cousins | QB | ATL | 10 | 10 |
| Marcus Mariota | QB | WAS | 11 | 10 |
| Michael Penix Jr. | QB | ATL | 9 | 9 |
| Spencer Rattler | QB | NO | 9 | 8 |
| Jayden Daniels | QB | WAS | 7 | 8 |
| Shedeur Sanders | QB | CLE | 8 | 7 |
| Justin Fields | QB | NYJ | 9 | 7 |
| Dillon Gabriel | QB | CLE | 10 | 7 |
| Carson Wentz | QB | MIN | 5 | 6 |
| Kyler Murray | QB | ARI | 5 | 6 |
| Jake Browning | QB | CIN | 5 | 6 |
| Davis Mills | QB | HOU | 6 | 5 |
| Tyrod Taylor | QB | NYJ | 6 | 5 |
| Philip Rivers | QB | IND | 3 | 4 |
| Mitchell Trubisky | QB | BUF | 4 | 4 |
| Russell Wilson | QB | NYG | 6 | 3 |
| Quinn Ewers | QB | MIA | 4 | 3 |
| Malik Willis | QB | GB | 4 | 3 |
| Brady Cook | QB | NYJ | 5 | 2 |
| Jameis Winston | QB | NYG | 3 | 2 |
| Tyler Huntley | QB | BAL | 5 | 2 |
| Riley Leonard | QB | IND | 5 | 2 |
| Mason Rudolph | QB | PIT | 5 | 2 |
| 12 Players Tied With 1 | | | | |

# 2025 RECEPTIONS

| PLAYER | POS | TEAM | GP | REC. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Puka Nacua | WR | LAR | 16 | 129 |
| Trey McBride | TE | ARI | 17 | 126 |
| Ja'Marr Chase | WR | CIN | 16 | 125 |
| Jaxon Smith-Njigba | WR | SEA | 17 | 119 |
| Amon-Ra St. Brown | WR | DET | 17 | 117 |
| Christian McCaffrey | RB | SF | 17 | 102 |
| Chris Olave | WR | NO | 16 | 100 |
| George Pickens | WR | DAL | 17 | 93 |
| Wan'Dale Robinson | WR | NYG | 16 | 92 |
| Kyle Pitts Sr. | TE | ATL | 17 | 88 |
| Zay Flowers | WR | BAL | 17 | 86 |
| Stefon Diggs | WR | NE | 17 | 85 |
| Justin Jefferson | WR | MIN | 17 | 84 |
| Dalton Schultz | TE | HOU | 17 | 82 |
| Jake Ferguson | TE | DAL | 17 | 82 |
| Keenan Allen | WR | LAC | 17 | 81 |
| Michael Pittman Jr. | WR | IND | 17 | 80 |
| Bijan Robinson | RB | ATL | 17 | 79 |
| Michael Wilson | WR | ARI | 17 | 78 |
| A.J. Brown | WR | PHI | 15 | 78 |
| DeVonta Smith | WR | PHI | 17 | 77 |
| Juwan Johnson | TE | NO | 17 | 77 |
| Jahmyr Gibbs | RB | DET | 17 | 77 |
| Travis Kelce | TE | KC | 17 | 76 |
| Tyler Warren | TE | IND | 17 | 76 |
| CeeDee Lamb | WR | DAL | 14 | 75 |
| Jakobi Meyers | WR | LV/JAC | 16 | 75 |
| Courtland Sutton | WR | DEN | 17 | 74 |
| Kenneth Gainwell | RB | PIT | 17 | 73 |
| Harold Fannin Jr. | TE | CLE | 16 | 72 |
| Deebo Samuel Sr. | WR | WAS | 16 | 72 |
| Khalil Shakir | WR | BUF | 16 | 72 |
| Nico Collins | WR | HOU | 15 | 71 |
| Tetairoa McMillan | WR | CAR | 17 | 70 |
| Chase Brown | RB | CIN | 17 | 69 |
| Drake London | WR | ATL | 12 | 68 |
| De'Von Achane | RB | MIA | 16 | 67 |
| Ladd McConkey | WR | LAC | 16 | 66 |
| Jameson Williams | WR | DET | 17 | 65 |
| Troy Franklin | WR | DEN | 17 | 65 |
| Jaylen Waddle | WR | MIA | 16 | 64 |
| Brock Bowers | TE | LV | 12 | 64 |
| Emeka Egbuka | WR | TB | 17 | 63 |
| Davante Adams | WR | LAR | 14 | 60 |
| Hunter Henry | TE | NE | 17 | 60 |
| Dallas Goedert | TE | PHI | 15 | 60 |
| DK Metcalf | WR | PIT | 15 | 59 |
| Tee Higgins | WR | CIN | 15 | 59 |
| Rashid Shaheed | WR | NO/SEA | 18 | 59 |
| Cade Otton | TE | TB | 16 | 59 |
| Parker Washington | WR | JAC | 16 | 58 |
| Colston Loveland | TE | CHI | 16 | 58 |
| Josh Downs | WR | IND | 16 | 58 |
| Tre Tucker | WR | LV | 17 | 57 |
| George Kittle | TE | SF | 11 | 57 |
| Chig Okonkwo | TE | TEN | 17 | 56 |
| Romeo Doubs | WR | GB | 16 | 55 |
| Jauan Jennings | WR | SF | 15 | 55 |
| Ashton Jeanty | RB | LV | 17 | 55 |
| Rashee Rice | WR | KC | 8 | 53 |
| AJ Barner | TE | SEA | 17 | 52 |
| Quentin Johnston | WR | LAC | 14 | 51 |
| T.J. Hockenson | TE | MIN | 15 | 51 |
| DJ Moore | WR | CHI | 17 | 50 |
| Jerry Jeudy | WR | CLE | 17 | 50 |
| Zach Ertz | TE | WAS | 13 | 50 |
| Evan Engram | TE | DEN | 16 | 50 |
| Oronde Gadsden | TE | LAC | 15 | 49 |
| Hollywood Brown | WR | KC | 16 | 49 |
| Brian Thomas Jr. | WR | JAC | 14 | 48 |
| Chimere Dike | WR | TEN | 17 | 48 |
| Mark Andrews | TE | BAL | 17 | 48 |
| Alec Pierce | WR | IND | 15 | 47 |
| Luther Burden III | WR | CHI | 15 | 47 |
| Cooper Kupp | WR | SEA | 16 | 47 |
| RJ Harvey | RB | DEN | 17 | 47 |
| Mack Hollins | WR | NE | 15 | 46 |
| Brenton Strange | TE | JAC | 12 | 46 |
| Jonathan Taylor | RB | IND | 17 | 46 |
| Malik Washington | WR | MIA | 17 | 46 |
| Theo Johnson | TE | NYG | 15 | 45 |
| Tyjae Spears | RB | TEN | 13 | 45 |
| Rome Odunze | WR | CHI | 12 | 44 |
| Mason Taylor | TE | NYJ | 13 | 44 |
| Gunnar Helm | TE | TEN | 16 | 44 |
| Colby Parkinson | TE | LAR | 15 | 43 |
| Jordan Addison | WR | MIN | 14 | 42 |
| Xavier Worthy | WR | KC | 14 | 42 |
| Marvin Harrison Jr. | WR | ARI | 12 | 41 |
| Jayden Higgins | WR | HOU | 17 | 41 |
| Elic Ayomanor | WR | TEN | 16 | 41 |
| Pat Freiermuth | TE | PIT | 17 | 41 |
| Sam LaPorta | TE | DET | 9 | 40 |
| Ryan Flournoy | WR | DAL | 16 | 40 |
| Jaylen Warren | RB | PIT | 16 | 40 |
| Rachaad White | RB | TB | 17 | 40 |
| Dalton Kincaid | TE | BUF | 12 | 39 |
| Sterling Shepard | WR | TB | 13 | 39 |
| Olamide Zaccheaus | WR | CHI | 16 | 39 |
| Rico Dowdle | RB | CAR | 17 | 39 |
| Terry McLaurin | WR | WAS | 10 | 38 |
| Keon Coleman | WR | BUF | 13 | 38 |
| Jonnu Smith | TE | PIT | 17 | 38 |
| Kendrick Bourne | WR | SF | 16 | 37 |
| Darius Slayton | WR | NYG | 14 | 37 |
| Marvin Mims Jr. | WR | DEN | 15 | 37 |
| Saquon Barkley | RB | PHI | 16 | 37 |
| Ricky Pearsall | WR | SF | 9 | 36 |
| Dawson Knox | TE | BUF | 17 | 36 |
| Garrett Wilson | WR | NYJ | 7 | 36 |
| Breece Hall | RB | NYJ | 16 | 36 |
| Travis Etienne Jr. | RB | JAC | 17 | 36 |
| Tyrone Tracy Jr. | RB | NYG | 15 | 36 |
| Josh Jacobs | RB | GB | 15 | 36 |
| Kyren Williams | RB | LAR | 17 | 36 |
| Christian Watson | WR | GB | 10 | 35 |
| Xavier Hutchinson | WR | HOU | 17 | 35 |
| Xavier Legette | WR | CAR | 15 | 35 |
| Michael Mayer | TE | LV | 13 | 35 |
| TreVeyon Henderson | RB | NE | 17 | 35 |
| Javonte Williams | RB | DAL | 16 | 35 |
| D'Andre Swift | RB | CHI | 16 | 34 |
| Jake Tonges | TE | SF | 17 | 34 |
| Noah Fant | TE | CIN | 15 | 34 |
| Kayshon Boutte | WR | NE | 14 | 33 |
| Adonai Mitchell | WR | IND/NYJ | 16 | 33 |
| Andrei Iosivas | WR | CIN | 17 | 33 |
| Jalen Coker | WR | CAR | 11 | 33 |
| Chris Godwin Jr. | WR | TB | 9 | 33 |
| JuJu Smith-Schuster | WR | KC | 17 | 33 |
| David Njoku | TE | CLE | 12 | 33 |
| James Cook III | RB | BUF | 17 | 33 |
| John Metchie III | WR | PHI/NYJ | 16 | 33 |
| Dylan Sampson | RB | CLE | 15 | 33 |
| Michael Carter | RB | ARI | 13 | 33 |
| Tony Pollard | RB | TEN | 17 | 33 |
| Alvin Kamara | RB | NO | 11 | 33 |
| Tucker Kraft | TE | GB | 8 | 32 |
| Darnell Mooney | WR | ATL | 15 | 32 |
| Rhamondre Stevenson | RB | NE | 14 | 32 |
| Tyler Lockett | WR | LV | 17 | 32 |
| Omarion Hampton | RB | LAC | 9 | 32 |
| DeMario Douglas | WR | NE | 17 | 31 |
| Pat Bryant | WR | DEN | 15 | 31 |
| Calvin Austin III | WR | PIT | 14 | 31 |
| Darnell Washington | TE | PIT | 16 | 31 |
| Kenneth Walker III | RB | SEA | 17 | 31 |
| Mike Evans | WR | TB | 8 | 30 |
| Cole Kmet | TE | CHI | 16 | 30 |
| Dontayvion Wicks | WR | GB | 14 | 30 |
| Tre' Harris | WR | LAC | 17 | 30 |
| Elijah Higgins | TE | ARI | 17 | 30 |
| Bucky Irving | RB | TB | 10 | 30 |
| Chuba Hubbard | RB | CAR | 15 | 30 |
| Jalen Nailor | WR | MIN | 17 | 29 |
| Matthew Golden | WR | GB | 14 | 29 |
| Van Jefferson | WR | TEN | 16 | 29 |
| Greg Dortch | WR | ARI | 12 | 29 |
| Ja'Tavion Sanders | TE | CAR | 13 | 29 |
| Tez Johnson | WR | TB | 16 | 28 |
| Mike Gesicki | TE | CIN | 13 | 28 |
| Travis Hunter | WR/CB | JAC | 7 | 28 |
| Christian Kirk | WR | HOU | 13 | 28 |
| Aaron Jones Sr. | RB | MIN | 12 | 28 |
| Isaiah Likely | TE | BAL | 14 | 27 |
| Tommy Tremble | TE | CAR | 17 | 27 |
| KaVontae Turpin | WR | DAL | 15 | 26 |
| Greg Dulcich | TE | MIA | 10 | 26 |
| Jaylin Noel | WR | HOU | 17 | 26 |
| Isaiah Williams | WR | NYJ | 15 | 26 |
| Quinshon Judkins | RB | CLE | 14 | 26 |
| Jerome Ford | RB | CLE | 13 | 26 |
| Devaughn Vele | WR | NO | 13 | 25 |
| Tyler Higbee | TE | LAR | 10 | 25 |
| Jeremy McNichols | RB | WAS | 17 | 25 |
| Brashard Smith | RB | KC | 17 | 25 |
| 10 Players Tied With 24 | | | | |

# 2025 RECEIVING YARDS

| PLAYER | POS | TEAM | GP | YARDS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jaxon Smith-Njigba | WR | SEA | 17 | 1,793 |
| Puka Nacua | WR | LAR | 16 | 1,715 |
| George Pickens | WR | DAL | 17 | 1,429 |
| Ja'Marr Chase | WR | CIN | 16 | 1,412 |
| Amon-Ra St. Brown | WR | DET | 17 | 1,401 |
| Trey McBride | TE | ARI | 17 | 1,239 |
| Zay Flowers | WR | BAL | 17 | 1,211 |
| Chris Olave | WR | NO | 16 | 1,163 |
| Nico Collins | WR | HOU | 15 | 1,117 |
| Jameson Williams | WR | DET | 17 | 1,117 |
| CeeDee Lamb | WR | DAL | 14 | 1,077 |
| Justin Jefferson | WR | MIN | 17 | 1,048 |
| Courtland Sutton | WR | DEN | 17 | 1,017 |
| Wan'Dale Robinson | WR | NYG | 16 | 1,014 |
| Tetairoa McMillan | WR | CAR | 17 | 1,014 |
| Stefon Diggs | WR | NE | 17 | 1,013 |
| DeVonta Smith | WR | PHI | 17 | 1,008 |
| Michael Wilson | WR | ARI | 17 | 1,006 |
| A.J. Brown | WR | PHI | 15 | 1,003 |
| Alec Pierce | WR | IND | 15 | 1,003 |
| Emeka Egbuka | WR | TB | 17 | 938 |
| Kyle Pitts Sr. | TE | ATL | 17 | 928 |
| Christian McCaffrey | RB | SF | 17 | 924 |
| Drake London | WR | ATL | 12 | 919 |
| Jaylen Waddle | WR | MIA | 16 | 910 |
| Juwan Johnson | TE | NO | 17 | 889 |
| Travis Kelce | TE | KC | 17 | 851 |
| DK Metcalf | WR | PIT | 15 | 850 |
| Parker Washington | WR | JAC | 16 | 847 |
| Tee Higgins | WR | CIN | 15 | 846 |
| Jakobi Meyers | WR | LV/JAC | 16 | 835 |
| Bijan Robinson | RB | ATL | 17 | 820 |
| Tyler Warren | TE | IND | 17 | 817 |
| Ladd McConkey | WR | LAC | 16 | 789 |
| Davante Adams | WR | LAR | 14 | 789 |
| Michael Pittman Jr. | WR | IND | 17 | 784 |
| Dalton Schultz | TE | HOU | 17 | 777 |
| Keenan Allen | WR | LAC | 17 | 777 |
| Hunter Henry | TE | NE | 17 | 768 |
| Quentin Johnston | WR | LAC | 14 | 735 |
| Harold Fannin Jr. | TE | CLE | 16 | 731 |
| Deebo Samuel | WR | WAS | 16 | 727 |
| Romeo Doubs | WR | GB | 16 | 724 |
| Khalil Shakir | WR | BUF | 16 | 719 |
| Colston Loveland | TE | CHI | 16 | 713 |
| Troy Franklin | WR | DEN | 17 | 709 |
| Brian Thomas Jr. | WR | JAC | 14 | 707 |
| Tre Tucker | WR | LV | 17 | 696 |
| Rashid Shaheed | WR | NO/SEA | 18 | 687 |
| DJ Moore | WR | CHI | 17 | 682 |
| Brock Bowers | TE | LV | 12 | 680 |
| Oronde Gadsden | TE | LAC | 15 | 664 |
| Rome Odunze | WR | CHI | 12 | 661 |
| Luther Burden III | WR | CHI | 15 | 652 |
| Jauan Jennings | WR | SF | 15 | 643 |
| George Kittle | TE | SF | 11 | 628 |
| Jahmyr Gibbs | RB | DET | 17 | 616 |
| Christian Watson | WR | GB | 10 | 611 |
| Jordan Addison | WR | MIN | 14 | 610 |
| Marvin Harrison Jr. | WR | ARI | 12 | 608 |
| Jerry Jeudy | WR | CLE | 17 | 602 |
| Jake Ferguson | TE | DAL | 17 | 600 |
| Cooper Kupp | WR | SEA | 16 | 593 |
| Dallas Goedert | TE | PHI | 15 | 591 |
| Hollywood Brown | WR | KC | 16 | 587 |
| Terry McLaurin | WR | WAS | 10 | 582 |
| Cade Otton | TE | TB | 16 | 572 |
| Rashee Rice | WR | KC | 8 | 571 |
| Dalton Kincaid | TE | BUF | 12 | 571 |
| Josh Downs | WR | IND | 16 | 566 |
| Chig Okonkwo | TE | TEN | 17 | 560 |
| Kendrick Bourne | WR | SF | 16 | 551 |
| Kayshon Boutte | WR | NE | 14 | 551 |
| Mack Hollins | WR | NE | 15 | 550 |
| Brenton Strange | TE | JAC | 12 | 540 |
| Darius Slayton | WR | NYG | 14 | 538 |
| Xavier Worthy | WR | KC | 14 | 532 |
| Theo Johnson | TE | NYG | 15 | 528 |
| Ricky Pearsall | WR | SF | 9 | 528 |
| Jayden Higgins | WR | HOU | 17 | 525 |
| AJ Barner | TE | SEA | 17 | 519 |
| Elic Ayomanor | WR | TEN | 16 | 515 |
| Zach Ertz | TE | WAS | 13 | 504 |
| Sam LaPorta | TE | DET | 9 | 489 |
| Tucker Kraft | TE | GB | 8 | 489 |
| De'Von Achane | RB | MIA | 16 | 488 |
| Kenneth Gainwell | RB | PIT | 17 | 486 |
| Pat Freiermuth | TE | PIT | 17 | 486 |
| Ryan Flournoy | WR | DAL | 16 | 475 |
| Evan Engram | TE | DEN | 16 | 461 |
| Adonai Mitchell | WR | IND/NYJ | 16 | 453 |
| DeMario Douglas | WR | NE | 17 | 447 |
| Jalen Nailor | WR | MIN | 17 | 444 |
| Darnell Mooney | WR | ATL | 15 | 443 |
| T.J. Hockenson | TE | MIN | 15 | 438 |
| Tyquan Thornton | WR | KC | 14 | 438 |
| Chase Brown | RB | CIN | 17 | 437 |
| Andrei Iosivas | WR | CIN | 17 | 435 |
| Xavier Hutchinson | WR | HOU | 17 | 428 |
| Chimere Dike | WR | TEN | 17 | 423 |
| Mark Andrews | TE | BAL | 17 | 422 |
| Dawson Knox | TE | BUF | 17 | 417 |
| Colby Parkinson | TE | LAR | 15 | 408 |
| Keon Coleman | WR | BUF | 13 | 404 |
| KaVontae Turpin | WR | DAL | 15 | 396 |
| Garrett Wilson | WR | NYJ | 7 | 395 |
| Jalen Coker | WR | CAR | 11 | 394 |
| Jonathan Taylor | RB | IND | 17 | 378 |
| Pat Bryant | WR | DEN | 15 | 378 |
| Calvin Austin III | WR | PIT | 14 | 372 |
| Sterling Shepard | WR | TB | 13 | 371 |
| Mason Taylor | TE | NYJ | 13 | 369 |
| Mike Evans | WR | TB | 8 | 368 |
| Darnell Washington | TE | PIT | 16 | 364 |
| Xavier Legette | WR | CAR | 15 | 363 |
| Matthew Golden | WR | GB | 14 | 361 |
| Chris Godwin Jr. | WR | TB | 9 | 360 |
| Gunnar Helm | TE | TEN | 16 | 357 |
| RJ Harvey | RB | DEN | 17 | 356 |
| Breece Hall | RB | NYJ | 16 | 350 |
| Van Jefferson | WR | TEN | 16 | 350 |
| Cole Kmet | TE | CHI | 16 | 347 |
| Ashton Jeanty | RB | LV | 17 | 346 |
| JuJu Smith-Schuster | WR | KC | 17 | 345 |

# 2025 RECEIVING TDs

| PLAYER | POS | TEAM | GP | TDs |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Davante Adams | WR | LAR | 14 | 14 |
| Trey McBride | TE | ARI | 17 | 11 |
| Amon-Ra St. Brown | WR | DET | 17 | 11 |
| Dallas Goedert | TE | PHI | 15 | 11 |
| Tee Higgins | WR | CIN | 15 | 11 |
| Puka Nacua | WR | LAR | 16 | 10 |
| Jaxon Smith-Njigba | WR | SEA | 17 | 10 |
| Chris Olave | WR | NO | 16 | 9 |
| George Pickens | WR | DAL | 17 | 9 |
| Jauan Jennings | WR | SF | 15 | 9 |
| Ja'Marr Chase | WR | CIN | 16 | 8 |
| Jake Ferguson | TE | DAL | 17 | 8 |
| Quentin Johnston | WR | LAC | 14 | 8 |
| Colby Parkinson | TE | LAR | 15 | 8 |
| Christian McCaffrey | RB | SF | 17 | 7 |
| Michael Pittman Jr. | WR | IND | 17 | 7 |
| Michael Wilson | WR | ARI | 17 | 7 |
| A.J. Brown | WR | PHI | 15 | 7 |
| Courtland Sutton | WR | DEN | 17 | 7 |
| Tetairoa McMillan | WR | CAR | 17 | 7 |
| Drake London | WR | ATL | 12 | 7 |
| Jameson Williams | WR | DET | 17 | 7 |
| Brock Bowers | TE | LV | 12 | 7 |
| Hunter Henry | TE | NE | 17 | 7 |
| George Kittle | TE | SF | 11 | 7 |
| Harold Fannin Jr. | TE | CLE | 16 | 6 |
| Nico Collins | WR | HOU | 15 | 6 |
| Ladd McConkey | WR | LAC | 16 | 6 |
| Troy Franklin | WR | DEN | 17 | 6 |
| Jaylen Waddle | WR | MIA | 16 | 6 |
| Emeka Egbuka | WR | TB | 17 | 6 |
| DK Metcalf | WR | PIT | 15 | 6 |
| Colston Loveland | TE | CHI | 16 | 6 |
| Romeo Doubs | WR | GB | 16 | 6 |
| AJ Barner | TE | SEA | 17 | 6 |
| DJ Moore | WR | CHI | 17 | 6 |
| Alec Pierce | WR | IND | 15 | 6 |
| Rome Odunze | WR | CHI | 12 | 6 |
| Jayden Higgins | WR | HOU | 17 | 6 |
| Travis Etienne Jr. | RB | JAC | 17 | 6 |
| Christian Watson | WR | GB | 10 | 6 |
| Kayshon Boutte | WR | NE | 14 | 6 |
| Tucker Kraft | TE | GB | 8 | 6 |
| Darren Waller | TE | MIA | 9 | 6 |
| Isaac TeSlaa | WR | DET | 17 | 6 |
| 18 Players Tied With 5 | | | | |

# 2025 SACKS

| PLAYER | POS | TEAM | GP | SK |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Myles Garrett | DE | CLE | 17 | 23.0 |
| Brian Burns | LB/DE | NYG | 17 | 16.5 |
| Danielle Hunter | LB/DE | HOU | 17 | 15.0 |
| Aidan Hutchinson | DE | DET | 17 | 14.5 |
| Nik Bonitto | LB/DE | DEN | 17 | 14.0 |
| Tuli Tuipulotu | LB/DE | LAC | 16 | 13.0 |
| Micah Parsons | LB/DE | GB | 14 | 12.5 |
| Byron Young | LB/DE | LAR | 17 | 12.0 |
| Will Anderson Jr. | DE | HOU | 17 | 12.0 |
| Josh Sweat | LB/DE | ARI | 17 | 12.0 |
| Jeffery Simmons | DT/DE | TEN | 15 | 11.0 |
| Al-Quadin Muhammad | DE | DET | 17 | 11.0 |
| Cameron Jordan | DE | NO | 17 | 10.5 |
| James Pearce Jr. | LB/DE | ATL | 17 | 10.5 |
| Maxx Crosby | DE | LV | 15 | 10.0 |
| Montez Sweat | DE | CHI | 17 | 10.0 |
| Chase Young | DE | NO | 12 | 10.0 |
| Alex Highsmith | LB/DE | PIT | 13 | 9.5 |
| Von Miller | LB | WAS | 17 | 9.0 |
| Laiatu Latu | DE | IND | 16 | 8.5 |
| Bradley Chubb | LB | MIA | 17 | 8.5 |
| Jadeveon Clowney | LB/DE | DAL | 13 | 8.5 |
| Harold Landry III | LB/DE | NE | 15 | 8.5 |
| Brandon Dorlus | DE | ATL | 15 | 8.5 |
| Dallas Turner | LB/DE | MIN | 17 | 8.0 |
| Josh Hines-Allen | LB/DE | JAC | 17 | 8.0 |
| Jonathon Cooper | LB/DE | DEN | 17 | 8.0 |
| Will McDonald IV | DE | NYJ | 15 | 8.0 |
| Jared Verse | LB/DE | LAR | 17 | 7.5 |
| Nick Herbig | LB/DE | PIT | 15 | 7.5 |
| Rashan Gary | LB/DE | GB | 16 | 7.5 |
| K'Lavon Chaisson | LB/DE | NE | 16 | 7.5 |
| Odafe Oweh | LB | BAL/LAC | 17 | 7.5 |
| John Franklin-Myers | DE | DEN | 16 | 7.5 |

| PLAYER | POS | TEAM | GP | SK |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| T.J. Watt | LB/DE | PIT | 14 | 7.0 |
| Andrew Van Ginkel | LB/DE | MIN | 12 | 7.0 |
| Leonard Williams | DE | SEA | 17 | 7.0 |
| Kobie Turner | DT/DE | LAR | 17 | 7.0 |
| Byron Murphy II | DT | SEA | 17 | 7.0 |
| Greg Rousseau | DE | BUF | 16 | 7.0 |
| Yaya Diaby | LB | TB | 17 | 7.0 |
| Dre'Mont Jones | LB/DE | TEN/BAL | 18 | 7.0 |
| Zach Allen | DE | DEN | 17 | 7.0 |
| Chris Jones | DT | KC | 17 | 7.0 |
| Uchenna Nwosu | LB | SEA | 16 | 7.0 |
| Eric Wilson | LB | MIN | 17 | 6.5 |
| Jalyx Hunt | LB/DE | PHI | 17 | 6.5 |
| Calais Campbell | DT | ARI | 17 | 6.5 |
| Maliek Collins | DT | CLE | 12 | 6.5 |
| DeMarcus Lawrence | LB/DE | SEA | 16 | 6.0 |
| Jalen Redmond | DT | MIN | 17 | 6.0 |
| Carl Granderson | LB/DE | NO | 17 | 6.0 |
| George Karlaftis | DE | KC | 16 | 6.0 |
| Gervon Dexter Sr. | DT | CHI | 17 | 6.0 |
| Justin Eboigbe | DE | LAC | 17 | 6.0 |
| Moro Ojomo | DT | PHI | 17 | 6.0 |
| Zach Sieler | DT/DE | MIA | 17 | 5.5 |
| Myles Murphy | DE | CIN | 17 | 5.5 |
| Keeanu Benton | DT | PIT | 17 | 5.5 |
| Jalon Walker | LB/DE | ATL | 15 | 5.5 |
| Alex Wright | DE | CLE | 14 | 5.5 |
| Khalil Mack | LB/DE | LAC | 12 | 5.5 |
| James Houston | DE | DAL | 17 | 5.5 |
| Dorance Armstrong | DE | WAS | 7 | 5.5 |
| Jacob Martin | DE | WAS | 17 | 5.5 |
| Arik Armstead | DT | JAC | 16 | 5.5 |
| 12 Players Tied With 5.0 | | | | |

# 2025 INTERCEPTIONS

| PLAYER | POS | TEAM | GP | INT |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kevin Byard III | S | CHI | 17 | 7 |
| Ernest Jones IV | LB | SEA | 15 | 5 |
| Nahshon Wright | CB | CHI | 17 | 5 |
| Xavier Watts | S | ARI | 17 | 5 |
| Devin Lloyd | LB | JAC | 15 | 5 |
| Antonio Johnson | S | JAC | 17 | 5 |
| Jaycee Horn | CB | CAR | 16 | 5 |
| Jordan Battle | S | CIN | 17 | 4 |
| Tremaine Edmunds | LB | CHI | 13 | 4 |
| Kamari Lassiter | CB | HOU | 16 | 4 |
| Mike Jackson | CB | CAR | 17 | 4 |
| Cam Bynum | S | IND | 17 | 4 |
| Marlon Humphrey | CB | BAL | 15 | 4 |
| Mike Sainristil | CB | WAS | 17 | 4 |
| Jaylinn Hawkins | S | NE | 15 | 4 |
| Jalen Pitre | S | HOU | 14 | 4 |
| Calen Bullock | S | HOU | 17 | 4 |
| Coby Bryant | S/CB | SEA | 15 | 4 |
| Tony Jefferson | S | LAC | 13 | 4 |
| Derek Stingley Jr. | CB | HOU | 17 | 4 |

| PLAYER | POS | TEAM | GP | INT |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Donte Jackson | CB | LAC | 17 | 4 |
| Devin Bush | LB | CLE | 17 | 3 |
| Marcus Jones | CB | NE | 17 | 3 |
| Jessie Bates III | S | ATL | 17 | 3 |
| Derwin James Jr. | S | LAC | 16 | 3 |
| Cole Bishop | S | BUF | 17 | 3 |
| Dee Alford | CB | ATL | 16 | 3 |
| Evan Williams | S | GB | 16 | 3 |
| Jalyx Hunt | LB/DE | PHI | 17 | 3 |
| Cody Barton | LB | TEN | 17 | 3 |
| Kool-Aid McKinstry | CB | NO | 17 | 3 |
| Nate Wiggins | CB | BAL | 17 | 3 |
| Laiatu Latu | DE | IND | 16 | 3 |
| Jamel Dean | CB | TB | 14 | 3 |
| Emmanuel Forbes Jr. | CB | LAR | 17 | 3 |
| Cobie Durant | CB | LAR | 17 | 3 |
| Jarrian Jones | CB | JAC | 17 | 3 |
| Denzel Burke | CB | ARI | 17 | 3 |
| Kyu Blu Kelly | CB | LV | 13 | 3 |
| Kerby Joseph | S | DET | 6 | 3 |

# 2025 TACKLES

| PLAYER | POS | TEAM | GP | TOT |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jordyn Brooks | LB | MIA | 17 | 183 |
| Jack Campbell | LB | DET | 17 | 176 |
| Devin White | LB | LV | 17 | 174 |
| Cedric Gray | LB | TEN | 16 | 164 |
| Bobby Wagner | LB | WAS | 17 | 162 |
| Carson Schwesinger | LB | CLE | 16 | 156 |
| Nick Bolton | LB | KC | 17 | 154 |
| Jamien Sherwood | LB | NYJ | 17 | 154 |
| Blake Cashman | LB | MIN | 13 | 144 |
| Bobby Okereke | LB | NYG | 17 | 143 |
| Foyesade Oluokun | LB | JAC | 17 | 143 |
| Demario Davis | LB | NO | 17 | 143 |
| Alex Singleton | LB | DEN | 16 | 135 |
| Nate Landman | LB | LAR | 17 | 132 |
| Roquan Smith | LB | BAL | 15 | 130 |
| Tyrel Dodson | LB | MIA | 16 | 129 |
| Quay Walker | LB | GB | 14 | 128 |
| Payton Wilson | LB | PIT | 17 | 126 |
| Germaine Pratt | LB | IND | 16 | 126 |
| Ernest Jones IV | LB | SEA | 15 | 126 |
| Devin Bush | LB | CLE | 17 | 125 |
| Jordan Battle | S | CIN | 17 | 125 |
| Zaire Franklin | LB | IND | 17 | 125 |
| Zack Baun | LB | PHI | 16 | 123 |
| Kam Curl | S | LAR | 17 | 122 |
| Christian Rozeboom | LB | CAR | 15 | 122 |
| Nick Cross | S | IND | 17 | 120 |
| Dane Belton | S | NYG | 17 | 120 |
| Budda Baker | S | ARI | 16 | 120 |
| Patrick Queen | LB | PIT | 17 | 120 |
| Edgerrin Cooper | LB | GB | 16 | 118 |
| Chamarri Conner | S | KC | 17 | 117 |
| Akeem Davis-Gaither | LB | ARI | 17 | 117 |
| Eric Wilson | LB | MIN | 17 | 115 |
| Jeremy Chinn | S | LV | 15 | 114 |
| Lavonte David | LB | TB | 17 | 114 |
| Tremaine Edmunds | LB | CHI | 13 | 112 |
| Nick Scott | S | CAR | 17 | 111 |
| Kaden Elliss | LB | ATL | 17 | 107 |
| Xavier McKinney | S | GB | 16 | 107 |
| Talanoa Hufanga | S | DEN | 17 | 106 |
| Demetrius Knight Jr. | LB | CIN | 17 | 106 |
| Barrett Carter | LB | CIN | 17 | 106 |
| Kyle Hamilton | S | BAL | 16 | 105 |
| Geno Stone | S | CIN | 17 | 104 |
| Tre'von Moehrig | S | CAR | 16 | 103 |
| Drue Tranquill | LB | KC | 17 | 103 |
| Daiyan Henley | LB | LAC | 16 | 103 |
| Ronnie Hickman | S | CLE | 17 | 103 |
| Azeez Al-Shaair | LB | HOU | 16 | 103 |
| Dee Winters | LB | SF | 17 | 101 |
| SirVocea Dennis | LB | TB | 16 | 101 |
| Malachi Moore | S | NYJ | 17 | 101 |
| Tykee Smith | S | TB | 16 | 100 |
| Evan Williams | S | GB | 16 | 100 |
| Quan Martin | S/CB | WAS | 17 | 99 |
| Jessie Bates III | S | ATL | 17 | 98 |
| Robert Spillane | LB | NE | 14 | 97 |
| Xavier Watts | S | ARI | 17 | 96 |
| Drake Thomas | LB | SEA | 17 | 96 |

# ATHLON SPORTS COLLEGE FANTASY

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BRAD JACKSON

## QUARTERBACKS

1 **BRAD JACKSON** Texas State
2 **ARCH MANNING** Texas
3 **TRINIDAD CHAMBLISS** Ole Miss
4 **DEVON DAMPIER** Utah
5 **LIAM SZARKA** Air Force

KEWAN LACY

## RUNNING BACKS

1 **KEWAN LACY** Ole Miss
2 **CALEB HAWKINS** Oklahoma State
3 **DeSEAN BISHOP** Tennessee
4 **NATE SHEPPARD** Duke
5 **ANTWAN RAYMOND** Rutgers

JEREMIAH SMITH

## WIDE RECEIVERS

1 **JEREMIAH SMITH** Ohio State
2 **MALACHI TONEY** Miami (Fla.)
3 **EASTON MESSER** Florida Atlantic
4 **BEAU SPARKS** Texas State
5 **KJ DUFF** Rutgers

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## QUARTERBACKS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 6 | **Nick Minicucci** | Delaware |
| 7 | **Drew Mestemaker** | Oklahoma State |
| 8 | **Demond Williams Jr.** | Washington |
| 9 | **Conner Weigman** | Houston |
| 10 | **Kamario Taylor** | Mississippi State |
| 11 | **Sam Leavitt** | LSU |
| 12 | **John Mateer** | Oklahoma |
| 13 | **Caden Creel** | Jacksonville State |
| 14 | **Byrum Brown** | Auburn |
| 15 | **Caden Veltkamp** | Florida Atlantic |
| 16 | **LaNorris Sellers** | South Carolina |
| 17 | **Avery Johnson** | Kansas State |
| 18 | **Jayden Maiava** | USC |
| 19 | **Marcel Reed** | Texas A&M |
| 20 | **Kevin Jennings** | SMU |
| 21 | **Bear Bachmeier** | BYU |
| 22 | **Gunner Stockton** | Georgia |
| 23 | **Owen McCown** | UTSA |
| 24 | **Micah Alejado** | Hawaiʻi |
| 25 | **Jackson Arnold** | UNLV |
| 26 | **Dante Moore** | Oregon |
| 27 | **Carlos Del Rio-Wilson** | Marshall |
| 28 | **Broc Lowry** | Western Michigan |
| 29 | **CJ Carr** | Notre Dame |
| 30 | **Cale Hellums** | Army |
| 31 | **Braxton Woodson** | Navy |
| 32 | **CJ Bailey** | NC State |
| 33 | **Darian Mensah** | Miami (Fla.) |
| 34 | **Josh Hoover** | Indiana |
| 35 | **Keelon Russell** | Alabama |

## RUNNING BACKS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 6 | **Cam Cook** | West Virginia |
| 7 | **Jadan Baugh** | Florida |
| 8 | **Lucky Sutton** | San Diego State |
| 9 | **LJ Martin** | BYU |
| 10 | **Isaac Brown** | Louisville |
| 11 | **Dylan Riley** | Boise State |
| 12 | **Adam Mohammed** | Cal |
| 13 | **Aneyas Williams** | Notre Dame |
| 14 | **Jai’Den Thomas** | UNLV |
| 15 | **Ja’Kyrian Turner** | Pitt |
| 16 | **Darius Taylor** | Minnesota |
| 17 | **Will Henderson III** | UTSA |
| 18 | **Makhi Hughes** | Houston |
| 19 | **Bo Jackson** | Ohio State |
| 20 | **Telly Johnson Jr.** | Northern Illinois |
| 21 | **Jordan Davison** | Oregon |
| 22 | **Austyn Dendy** | Bowling Green |
| 23 | **Jordan Marshall** | Michigan |
| 24 | **Kendrick Raphael** | SMU |
| 25 | **Justice Haynes** | Georgia Tech |
| 26 | **Cameron Dickey** | Texas Tech |
| 27 | **Jaquari Lewis** | Appalachian State |
| 28 | **Caleb Komolafe** | Northwestern |
| 29 | **Wayshawn Parker** | Utah |
| 30 | **Jamauri McClure** | Tulane |
| 31 | **Jalen Buckley** | Western Michigan |
| 32 | **Jordan Gant** | Akron |
| 33 | **Mark Fletcher Jr.** | Miami (Fla.) |
| 34 | **Rod Robinson II** | UAB |
| 35 | **Fluff Bothwell** | Mississippi State |
| 36 | **Jahiem White** | North Texas |
| 37 | **Jeremy Payne** | TCU |
| 38 | **Waymond Jordan** | USC |
| 39 | **Ahmad Hardy** | Missouri |
| 40 | **Jayden Scott** | NC State |
| 41 | **Kyson Brown** | Arizona State |
| 42 | **Ashton Gray** | East Carolina |
| 43 | **Duncan Brune** | Ohio |
| 44 | **Joe Jackson** | Kansas State |
| 45 | **Carson Hansen** | Penn State |
| 46 | **Nate Frazier** | Georgia |
| 47 | **Kamari Moulton** | Iowa |
| 48 | **Jamal Roberts** | Missouri |
| 49 | **Scottre Humphrey** | New Mexico |
| 50 | **Rodney Nelson** | Miami (Ohio) |
| 51 | **Quinton Jackson** | Rice |
| 52 | **CJ Miller** | Toledo |
| 53 | **Rayshon Luke** | Fresno State |
| 54 | **Ty Clark III** | Wake Forest |
| 55 | **Dylan Edwards** | Kansas |
| 56 | **Rueben Owens II** | Texas A&M |
| 57 | **Sedrick Alexander** | Vanderbilt |
| 58 | **Cam Edwards** | Michigan State |
| 59 | **Braydon Bennett** | Eastern Michigan |
| 60 | **DeJuan Williams** | Maryland |
| 61 | **Raleek Brown** | Texas |
| 62 | **Hollywood Smothers** | Texas |
| 63 | **Keenan Phillips** | South Alabama |
| 64 | **Turbo Richard** | Indiana |
| 65 | **Ca’Lil Valentine** | Illinois |
| 66 | **Owen Allen** | Air Force |
| 67 | **King Miller** | USC |
| 68 | **Sire Gaines** | Boise State |
| 69 | **Antonio Martin Jr.** | Middle Tennessee |
| 70 | **Javen Jacobs** | Utah State |

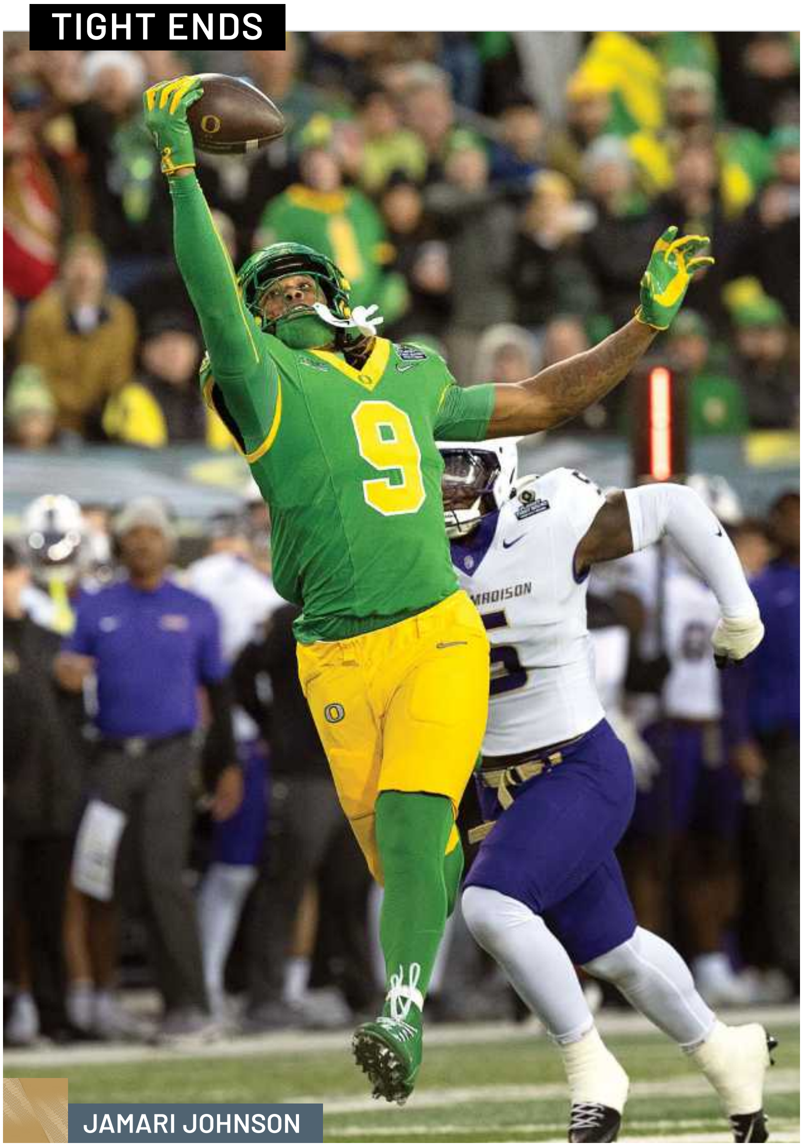
## WIDE RECEIVERS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 6 | **Amare Thomas** | Houston |
| 7 | **Jordan Dwyer** | TCU |
| 8 | **Isaiah Sategna III** | Oklahoma |
| 9 | **Mario Craver** | Texas A&M |
| 10 | **Nick Marsh** | Indiana |
| 11 | **Bryant Wesco Jr.** | Clemson |
| 12 | **Cam Coleman** | Texas |
| 13 | **Duce Robinson** | Florida State |
| 14 | **Pofele Ashlock** | Hawaiʻi |
| 15 | **Chris Dawn Jr.** | Texas State |
| 16 | **Anthony Evans III** | Mississippi State |
| 17 | **Wyatt Young** | Oklahoma State |
| 18 | **Tanook Hines** | USC |
| 19 | **Dakorien Moore** | Oregon |
| 20 | **David Amador II** | UTSA |
| 21 | **Charlie Becker** | Indiana |
| 22 | **Ryan Coleman-Williams** | Alabama |
| 23 | **Dezmen Roebuck** | Washington |
| 24 | **Omarion Miller** | Arizona State |
| 25 | **Carlos Hernandez** | Wake Forest |
| 26 | **Jordan Shipp** | North Carolina |
| 27 | **Griffin Wilde** | Northwestern |
| 28 | **Sean Wilson** | Delaware |
| 29 | **Braylon Staley** | Tennessee |
| 30 | **Andrew Marsh** | Michigan |
| 31 | **Deuce Alexander** | Ole Miss |
| 32 | **TK King** | New Mexico State |
| 33 | **Cooper Barkate** | Miami (Fla.) |
| 34 | **Lotzeir Brooks** | Alabama |
| 35 | **T.J. Moore** | Clemson |
| 36 | **Ryan Wingo** | Texas |
| 37 | **Marcel Williams** | Akron |
| 38 | **Tre Richardson** | Louisville |
| 39 | **Ian Strong** | Cal |
| 40 | **Anthony Eager** | South Alabama |
| 41 | **Nyck Harbor** | South Carolina |
| 42 | **K.D. Hutchinson** | WKU |
| 43 | **Audric Harris** | Hawaiʻi |
| 44 | **Anthony Ivey** | San José State |
| 45 | **Jerry McClure** | San José State |
| 46 | **Josiah Freeman** | Fresno State |
| 47 | **Yamir Knight** | SMU |

## WIDE RECEIVERS CONT.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 48 | Shelton Sampson Jr. | Louisiana |
| 49 | Deondre Johnson | Jacksonville State |
| 50 | Junior Sherrill | Vanderbilt |
| 51 | Jmariyae Robinson | Missouri State |
| 52 | Cayden Lee | Missouri |
| 53 | Danny Scudero | Colorado |
| 54 | Joseph Williams | Colorado |
| 55 | Greg Gaines III | FIU |
| 56 | Nick Devereaux | Eastern Michigan |
| 57 | Jaden Barnes | Charlotte |
| 58 | Winston Watkins Jr. | LSU |
| 59 | Jayce Brown | LSU |
| 60 | Mike Matthews | Tennessee |
| 61 | Reed Harris | Arizona State |
| 62 | Chase Hendricks | Cal |
| 63 | Braden Pegan | Utah |
| 64 | Cole Weaver | Syracuse |
| 65 | Jordan Faison | Notre Dame |
| 66 | Nyziah Hunter | Nebraska |
| 67 | Jaron Tibbs | Kansas State |
| 68 | Chauncy Cobb | Arkansas State |
| 69 | Jordan Napier | San Diego State |
| 70 | Louis Brown IV | Baylor |

## TIGHT ENDS


JAMARI JOHNSON

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | JAMARI JOHNSON | Oregon |
| 2 | TREY'DEZ GREEN | LSU |
| 3 | TERRANCE CARTER JR. | Texas Tech |
| 4 | DJ VONNAHME | Iowa |
| 5 | DYLAN WADE | UCF |
| 6 | Kaelan Chudzinski | Boston College |
| 7 | Cade Keith | New Mexico |
| 8 | Patrick Overmyer | Houston |
| 9 | Jeremiah Hasley | Duke |
| 10 | Willie Rodriguez | Kentucky |
| 11 | Peter Clarke | Temple |
| 12 | Decker DeGraaf | Washington |
| 13 | Juice Vereen | Colorado State |
| 14 | Dorian Thomas | Cal |
| 15 | Benjamin Brahmer | Penn State |
| 16 | Eli Finley | Louisiana Tech |
| 17 | Matt Wagner | Boise State |
| 18 | Ethan Davis | Tennessee |
| 19 | Dorian Fleming | Maryland |
| 20 | Luke Reynolds | Virginia Tech |
| 21 | Grant Hollier | Georgia State |
| 22 | Luke Dehnicke | Northwestern |
| 23 | Randy Pittman Jr. | SMU |
| 24 | Joshua Long | Eastern Michigan |
| 25 | Brett Norfleet | Missouri |
| 26 | Mason Mini | Cal |
| 27 | Benji Blackburn | Stanford |
| 28 | Max Dowling | UMass |
| 29 | Tony Livingston | Florida |
| 30 | Jayvontay Conner | Vanderbilt |

## KICKERS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Lucas Carneiro | Ole Miss |
| 2 | Nico Radicic | Indiana |
| 3 | Tate Sandell | Oklahoma |
| 4 | Ryon Sayeri | USC |
| 5 | Peyton Woodring | Georgia |
| 6 | David Olano | Texas A&M |
| 7 | Will Bettridge | Virginia |
| 8 | Tyler Robles | Washington |
| 9 | Patrick Durkin | Florida |
| 10 | Aidan Birr | Georgia Tech |

## DEFENSE

| | |
|---|---|
| 1 | Texas |
| 2 | Ohio State |
| 3 | Indiana |
| 4 | Georgia |
| 5 | Notre Dame |
| 6 | Alabama |
| 7 | Michigan |
| 8 | Tennessee |
| 9 | Iowa |
| 10 | Miami (Ohio) |

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# TOP 250 OVERALL

KEWAN LACY

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| RK | PLAYER | POS | TEAM |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | **Kewan Lacy** | RB | Ole MIss |
| 2 | **Jeremiah Smith** | WR | Ohio State |
| 3 | **Malachi Toney** | WR | Miami (Fla.) |
| 4 | **Easton Messer** | WR | Florida Atlantic |
| 5 | **Brad Jackson** | QB | Texas State |
| 6 | **Caleb Hawkins** | RB | Oklahoma State |
| 7 | **Beau Sparks** | WR | Texas State |
| 8 | **DeSean Bishop** | RB | Tennessee |
| 9 | **Nate Sheppard** | RB | Duke |
| 10 | **Antwan Raymond** | RB | Rutgers |
| 11 | **Cam Cook** | RB | West Virginia |
| 12 | **Jadan Baugh** | RB | Florida |
| 13 | **Lucky Sutton** | RB | San Diego State |
| 14 | **LJ Martin** | RB | BYU |
| 15 | **Isaac Brown** | RB | Louisville |
| 16 | **Arch Manning** | QB | Texas |
| 17 | **Dylan Riley** | RB | Boise State |
| 18 | **Adam Mohammed** | RB | Cal |
| 19 | **Aneyas Williams** | RB | Notre Dame |
| 20 | **Jai'Den Thomas** | RB | UNLV |
| 21 | **Ja'Kyrian Turner** | RB | Pitt |
| 22 | **KJ Duff** | WR | Rutgers |
| 23 | **Darius Taylor** | RB | Minnesota |
| 24 | **Will Henderson III** | RB | UTSA |
| 25 | **Makhi Hughes** | RB | Houston |
| 26 | **Bo Jackson** | RB | Ohio State |
| 27 | **Amare Thomas** | WR | Houston |
| 28 | **Trinidad Chambliss** | QB | Ole Miss |
| 29 | **Jordan Dwyer** | WR | TCU |
| 30 | **Isaiah Sategna III** | WR | Oklahoma |
| 31 | **Telly Johnson Jr.** | RB | Northern Illinois |
| 32 | **Jordan Davison** | RB | Oregon |
| 33 | **Austyn Dendy** | RB | Bowling Green |
| 34 | **Jordan Marshall** | RB | Michigan |
| 35 | **Kendrick Raphael** | RB | SMU |
| 36 | **Justice Haynes** | RB | Georgia Tech |
| 37 | **Mario Craver** | WR | Texas A&M |
| 38 | **Nick Marsh** | WR | Indiana |
| 39 | **Cameron Dickey** | RB | Texas Tech |
| 40 | **Jaquari Lewis** | RB | Appalachian State |
| 41 | **Caleb Komolafe** | RB | Northwestern |
| 42 | **Wayshawn Parker** | RB | Utah |
| 43 | **Jamauri McClure** | RB | Tulane |
| 44 | **Jalen Buckley** | RB | Western Michigan |
| 45 | **Devon Dampier** | QB | Utah |
| 46 | **Bryant Wesco Jr.** | WR | Clemson |
| 47 | **Liam Szarka** | QB | Air Force |
| 48 | **Cam Coleman** | WR | Texas |
| 49 | **Duce Robinson** | WR | Florida State |
| 50 | **Pofele Ashlock** | WR | Hawai'i |
| 51 | **Chris Dawn Jr.** | WR | Texas State |
| 52 | **Anthony Evans III** | WR | Mississippi State |
| 53 | **Wyatt Young** | WR | Oklahoma State |
| 54 | **Jordan Gant** | RB | Akron |
| 55 | **Tanook Hines** | WR | USC |
| 56 | **Dakorien Moore** | WR | Oregon |
| 57 | **David Amador II** | WR | UTSA |
| 58 | **Charlie Becker** | WR | Indiana |
| 59 | **Ryan Coleman-Williams** | WR | Alabama |
| 60 | **Mark Fletcher Jr.** | RB | Miami (Fla.) |
| 61 | **Nick Minicucci** | QB | Delaware |
| 62 | **Drew Mestemaker** | QB | Oklahoma State |
| 63 | **Demond Williams Jr.** | QB | Washington |
| 64 | **Conner Weigman** | QB | Houston |
| 65 | **Jamari Johnson** | TE | Oregon |
| 66 | **Trey'Dez Green** | TE | LSU |
| 67 | **Kamario Taylor** | QB | Mississippi State |
| 68 | **Sam Leavitt** | QB | LSU |
| 69 | **John Mateer** | QB | Oklahoma |
| 70 | **Terrance Carter Jr.** | TE | Texas Tech |
| 71 | **Caden Creel** | QB | Jacksonville State |
| 72 | **Byrum Brown** | QB | Auburn |
| 73 | **Caden Veltkamp** | QB | Florida Atlantic |

MALACHI TONEY

DESEAN BISHOP

| RK | PLAYER | POS | TEAM |
|---|---|---|---|
| 74 | **LaNorris Sellers** | QB | South Carolina |
| 75 | **Avery Johnson** | QB | Kansas State |
| 76 | **Jayden Maiava** | QB | USC |
| 77 | **Rod Robinson II** | RB | UAB |
| 78 | **Fluff Bothwell** | RB | Mississippi State |
| 79 | **Jahiem White** | RB | North Texas |
| 80 | **Jeremy Payne** | RB | TCU |
| 81 | **Marcel Reed** | QB | Texas A&M |
| 82 | **Waymond Jordan** | RB | USC |
| 83 | **Kevin Jennings** | QB | SMU |
| 84 | **Ahmad Hardy** | RB | Missouri |
| 85 | **Jayden Scott** | RB | NC State |
| 86 | **Dezmen Roebuck** | WR | Washington |
| 87 | **Omarion Miller** | WR | Arizona State |
| 88 | **DJ Vonnahme** | TE | Iowa |
| 89 | **Kyson Brown** | RB | Arizona State |
| 90 | **Ashton Gray** | RB | East Carolina |
| 91 | **Bear Bachmeier** | QB | BYU |
| 92 | **Duncan Brune** | RB | Ohio |
| 93 | **Joe Jackson** | RB | Kansas State |
| 94 | **Carson Hansen** | RB | Penn State |
| 95 | **Carlos Hernandez** | WR | Wake Forest |
| 96 | **Jordan Shipp** | WR | North Carolina |
| 97 | **Griffin Wilde** | WR | Northwestern |
| 98 | **Sean Wilson** | WR | Delaware |
| 99 | **Dylan Wade** | TE | UCF |

| RK | PLAYER | POS | TEAM |
|---|---|---|---|
| 100 | **Braylon Staley** | WR | Tennessee |
| 101 | **Andrew Marsh** | WR | Michigan |
| 102 | **Gunner Stockton** | QB | Georgia |
| 103 | **Owen McCown** | QB | UTSA |
| 104 | **Micah Alejado** | QB | Hawaiʻi |
| 105 | **Jackson Arnold** | QB | UNLV |
| 106 | **Dante Moore** | QB | Oregon |
| 107 | **Carlos Del Rio-Wilson** | QB | Marshall |
| 108 | **Broc Lowry** | QB | Western Michigan |
| 109 | **CJ Carr** | QB | Notre Dame |
| 110 | **Cale Hellums** | QB | Army |
| 111 | **Braxton Woodson** | QB | Navy |
| 112 | **CJ Bailey** | QB | NC State |
| 113 | **Darian Mensah** | QB | Miami (Fla.) |
| 114 | **Josh Hoover** | QB | Indiana |
| 115 | **Nate Frazier** | RB | Georgia |
| 116 | **Kamari Moulton** | RB | Iowa |
| 117 | **Kaelan Chudzinski** | TE | Boston College |
| 118 | **Deuce Alexander** | WR | Ole Miss |
| 119 | **TK King** | WR | New Mexico State |
| 120 | **Cooper Barkate** | WR | Miami (Fla.) |
| 121 | **Lotzeir Brooks** | WR | Alabama |
| 122 | **T.J. Moore** | WR | Clemson |
| 123 | **Ryan Wingo** | WR | Texas |
| 124 | **Keelon Russell** | QB | Alabama |
| 125 | **Jamal Roberts** | RB | Missouri |

| RK | PLAYER | POS | TEAM |
|---|---|---|---|
| 126 | **Marcel Williams** | WR | Akron |
| 127 | **Tre Richardson** | WR | Louisville |
| 128 | **Ian Strong** | WR | Cal |
| 129 | **Anthony Eager** | WR | South Alabama |
| 130 | **Nyck Harbor** | WR | South Carolina |
| 131 | **K.D. Hutchinson** | WR | WKU |
| 132 | **Audric Harris** | WR | Hawaiʻi |
| 133 | **Anthony Ivey** | WR | San José State |
| 134 | **Jerry McClure** | WR | San José State |
| 135 | **Cade Keith** | TE | New Mexico |
| 136 | **Josiah Freeman** | WR | Fresno State |
| 137 | **Patrick Overmyer** | TE | Houston |
| 138 | **Scottre Humphrey** | RB | New Mexico |
| 139 | **Rodney Nelson** | RB | Miami (Ohio) |
| 140 | **Yamir Knight** | WR | SMU |
| 141 | **Quinton Jackson** | RB | Rice |
| 142 | **CJ Miller** | RB | Toledo |
| 143 | **Rayshon Luke** | RB | Fresno State |
| 144 | **Ty Clark III** | RB | Wake Forest |
| 145 | **Dylan Edwards** | RB | Kansas |
| 146 | **Rueben Owens II** | RB | Texas A&M |
| 147 | **Shelton Sampson Jr.** | WR | Louisiana |
| 148 | **Sedrick Alexander** | RB | Vanderbilt |
| 149 | **Cam Edwards** | RB | Michigan State |
| 150 | **Braydon Bennett** | RB | Eastern Michigan |
| 151 | **DeJuan Williams** | RB | Maryland |

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NATE SHEPPARD

| RK | PLAYER | POS | TEAM |
|---|---|---|---|
| 152 | Raleek Brown | RB | Texas |
| 153 | Hollywood Smothers | RB | Texas |
| 154 | Texas DEF | DEF | Texas |
| 155 | Keenan Phillips | RB | South Alabama |
| 156 | Turbo Richard | RB | Indiana |
| 157 | Ohio State DEF | DEF | Ohio State |
| 158 | Jeremiah Hasley | TE | Duke |
| 159 | Indiana DEF | DEF | Indiana |
| 160 | Ca'Lil Valentine | RB | Illinois |
| 161 | Owen Allen | RB | Air Force |
| 162 | Willie Rodriguez | TE | Kentucky |
| 163 | Peter Clarke | TE | Temple |
| 164 | McCae Hillstead | QB | Utah State |
| 165 | King Miller | RB | USC |
| 166 | Sire Gaines | RB | Boise State |
| 167 | Georgia DEF | DEF | Georgia |
| 168 | Decker DeGraaf | TE | Washington |
| 169 | Juice Vereen | TE | Colorado State |
| 170 | Quinn Henicle | QB | Old Dominion |
| 171 | Deondre Johnson | WR | Jacksonville State |
| 172 | Junior Sherrill | WR | Vanderbilt |
| 173 | Jmariyae Robinson | WR | Missouri State |
| 174 | Cayden Lee | WR | Missouri |

| RK | PLAYER | POS | TEAM |
|---|---|---|---|
| 175 | Danny Scudero | WR | Colorado |
| 176 | Joseph Williams | WR | Colorado |
| 177 | Rodney Tisdale Jr. | QB | WKU |
| 178 | Nico Iamaleava | QB | UCLA |
| 179 | Bryce Underwood | QB | Michigan |
| 180 | Lunch Winfield | QB | Louisiana |
| 181 | Notre Dame DEF | DEF | Notre Dame |
| 182 | Antonio Martin Jr. | RB | Middle Tennessee |
| 183 | Javen Jacobs | RB | Utah State |
| 184 | Gideon Davidson | RB | Clemson |
| 185 | Ousmane Kromah | RB | Florida State |
| 186 | Kenny Minchey | QB | Kentucky |
| 187 | Cameran Brown | QB | Georgia State |
| 188 | Eli Finley | TE | Louisiana Tech |
| 189 | Alabama DEF | DEF | Alabama |
| 190 | Jaden Craig | QB | TCU |
| 191 | Michigan DEF | DEF | Michigan |
| 192 | Noah Fifita | QB | Arizona |
| 193 | Anthony Colandrea | QB | Nebraska |
| 194 | Tennessee DEF | DEF | Tennessee |
| 195 | Dorian Thomas | TE | Cal |
| 196 | Benjamin Brahmer | TE | Penn State |
| 197 | Mason Heintschel | QB | Pitt |

| RK | PLAYER | POS | TEAM |
|---|---|---|---|
| 198 | Gio Lopez | QB | Wake Forest |
| 199 | Iowa DEF | DEF | Iowa |
| 200 | Julian Sayin | QB | Ohio State |
| 201 | J. Sagapolutele | QB | Cal |
| 202 | Daniel Hill | RB | Alabama |
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| 238 | TreyShun Hurry | WR | Louisville |
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| 240 | Johntay Cook II | WR | Ole Miss |
| 241 | Dawson Pendergrass | RB | Baylor |
| 242 | Micah Ford | RB | Stanford |
| 243 | Alberto Mendoza | QB | Georgia Tech |
| 244 | Hudson Clement | WR | Illinois |
| 245 | Collin Dixon | WR | Illinois |
| 246 | Luke Dehnicke | TE | Northwestern |
| 247 | Torrance Burgess Jr. | RB | Texas State |
| 248 | Jo Silver | RB | Delaware |
| 249 | Randy Pittman Jr. | TE | SMU |
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